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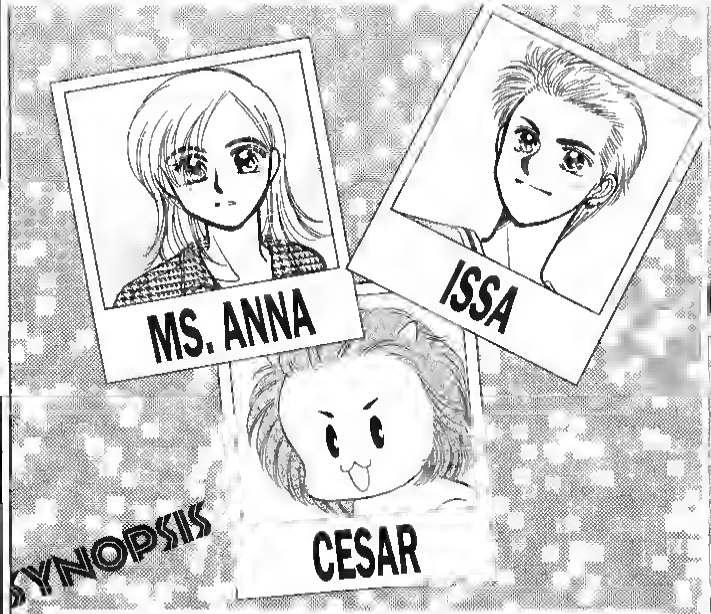

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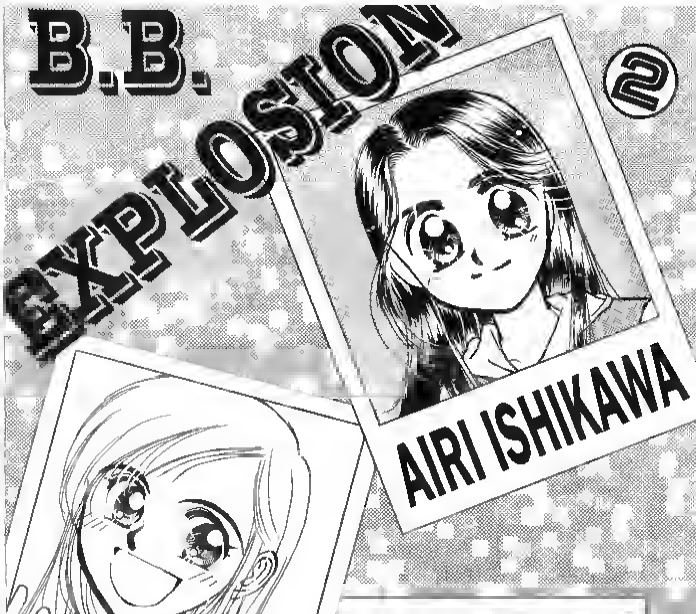
THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL IS A PLACE MANY OKINAWA GIRLS DREAM OF ATTENDING. AND AIRI MADE IT!! EVERYDAY SHE WORKS HARD AT HER LESSONS ALONG WITH HER FRIENDS, YŪ AND YUMI. ONE OF THE FAMOUS GRADUATES OF THE ACTORS SCHOOL IS ISSA, STAR OF DA PUMP... BUT, CHASING STARDOM, HE LEFT FOR TOKYO. AIRI PROMISED HERSELF THAT SHE, TOO, WOULD WORK HARD TO BECOME A STAR. FINALLY, SHE JOINED THE B.B. WAVES IN A NATIONALLY TELEVISED PROGRAM! ON TOP OF THAT, SHE WOULD BE DOING A SOLO NUMBER AT AN ACTORS CONCERT!! BUT DURING THE LIVE CONCERT, THE SOUND SUDDENLY WAS CUT OFF. AIRI, HOWEVER, WAS ABLE TO FINISH SINGING AND LEFT EVERYONE IN AWE.



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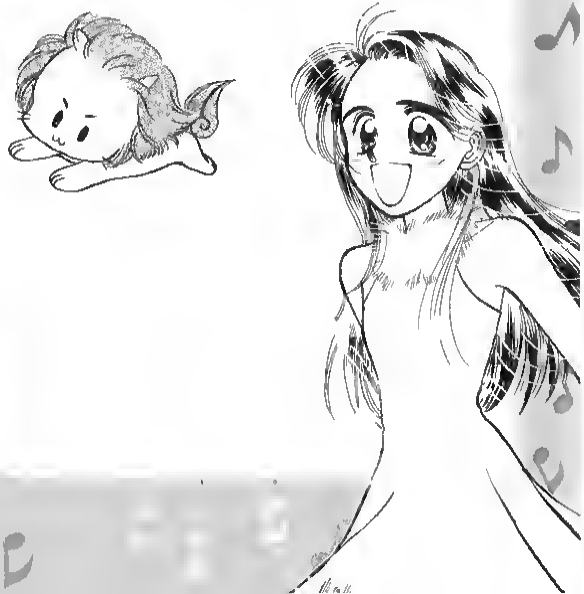

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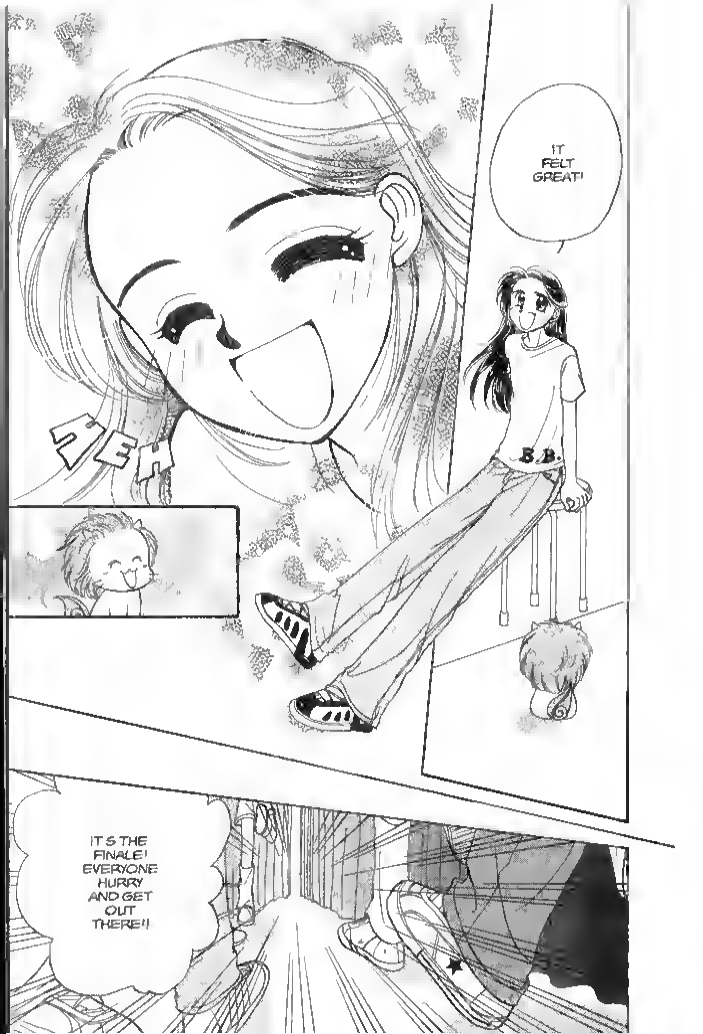
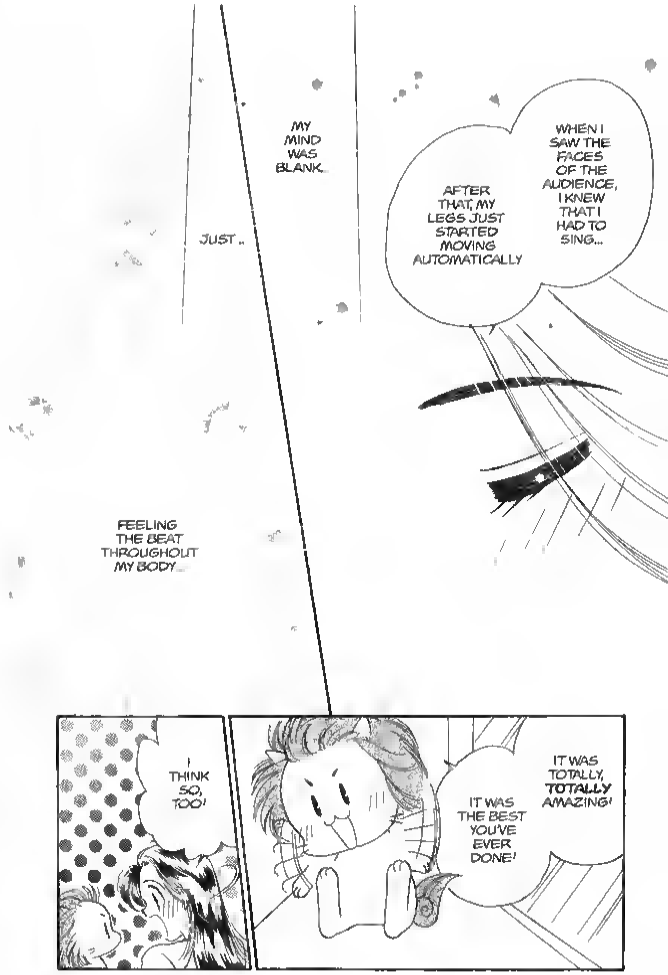
OPEN ROOM
ME TOO...
WHEN THE SOUND WENT OUT, I THOUGHT MY HEART WOULD STOP!!
THAT WAS AMAZING! YOU DID GREAT!
MY LEGS GAVE OUT
BUT...
MUSIC ROOM NO. 1
B.B. WAVES
OPEN ROOM


IT FELT GREAT!
ZEH
B.B.
IT'S THE FINALE! EVERYONE HURRY AND GET OUT THERE!!


MY MIND WAS BLANK...
JUST..
WHEN I SAW THE FACES OF THE AUDIENCE, I KNEW THAT I HAD TO SING...
AFTER THAT, MY LEGS JUST STARTED MOVING AUTOMATICALLY
FEELING THE BEAT THROUGHOUT MY BODY...
I THINK SO, TOO!
IT WAS THE BEST YOU'VE EVER DONE!
IT WAS TOTALLY, TOTALLY AMAZING!

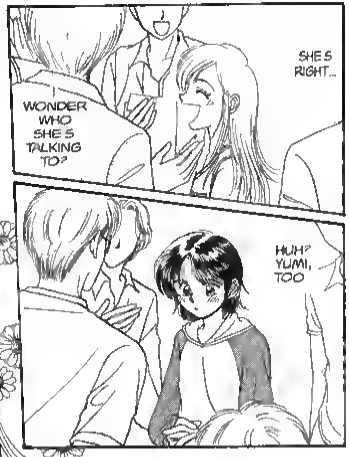
GO! GO!
GO! GO!
B.B.
WAVE!
B.B.
GO! GO!
GO! GO!

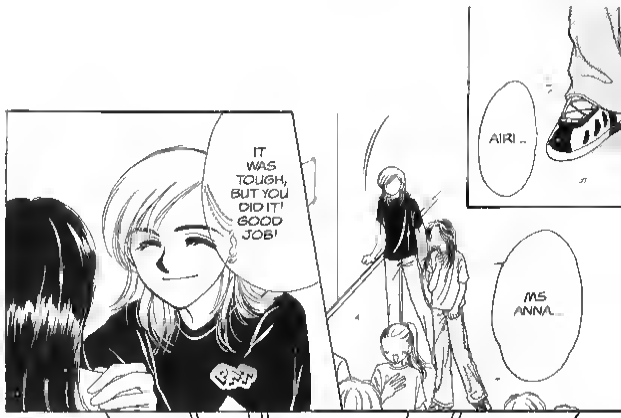
YEAAAY!!
YEAAAY!!
EVERYONE! THANKS SO MUCH FOR COMING TO TODAY S B B CONCERT!!
DA PUMP!!
AND TODAY S SPECIAL GUEST!!
B.B

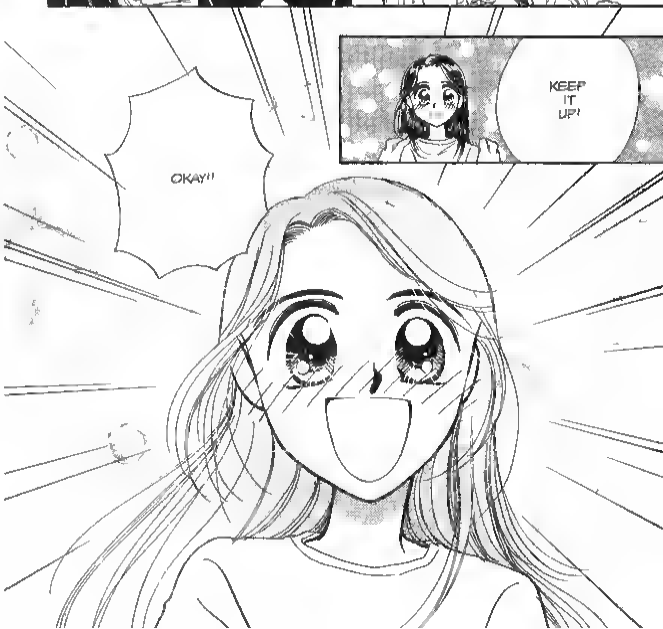
I'M STANDING ON THE STAGE WITH ISSA..!!
B.B.
YEAAAH!!!
ENCORE! ENCORE!
GREAT JOB EVERYONE!!

HUH!?
YEAAAY!!!
B.B.
B.B.
YEAAAY!!!

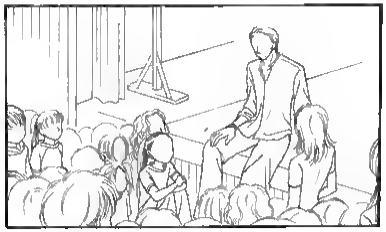
MINOR HA
LAUNCH PARTY THIS WAY
OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL
ISSA, CAN I TAKE A PICTURE WITH YOU?
SURE
YÛ, TAKE THE PICTURE!
HUH?
YÛ'S OVER THERE... I'LL TAKE IT FOR YOU...


SHE'S RIGHT...
I WONDER WHO SHE'S TALKING TO?
HUH? YUMI, TOO
?

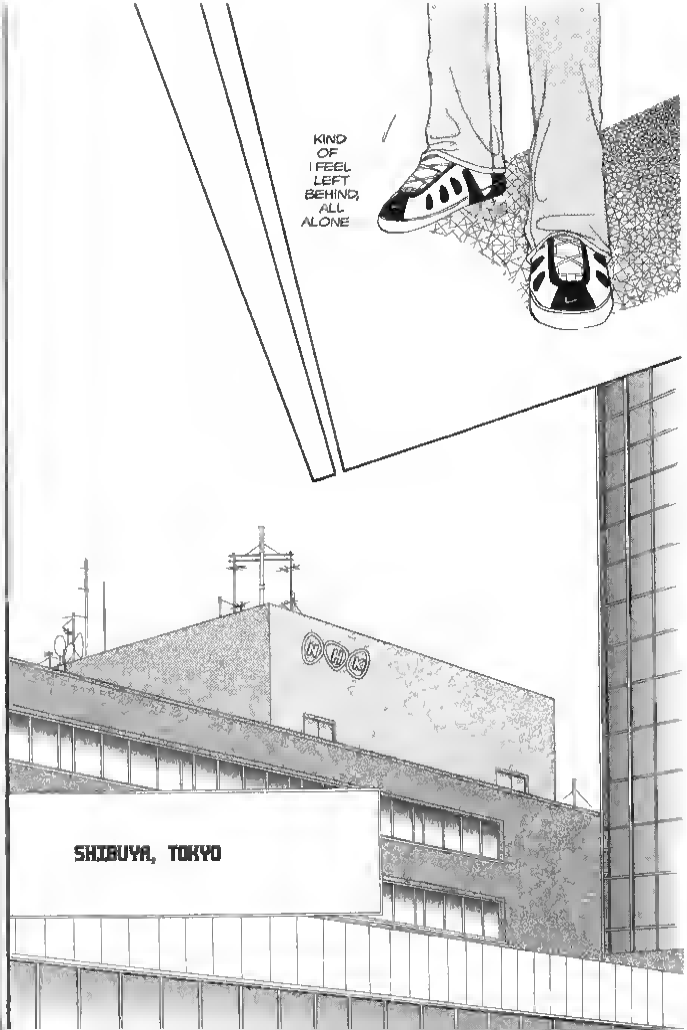

IT WAS TOUGH, BUT YOU DID IT! GOOD JOB!
AIRI...
MS ANNA...

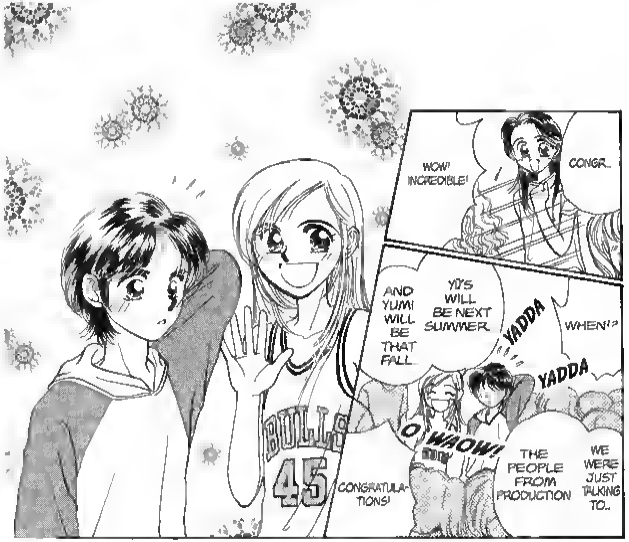

KEEP IT UP!
OKAY!!

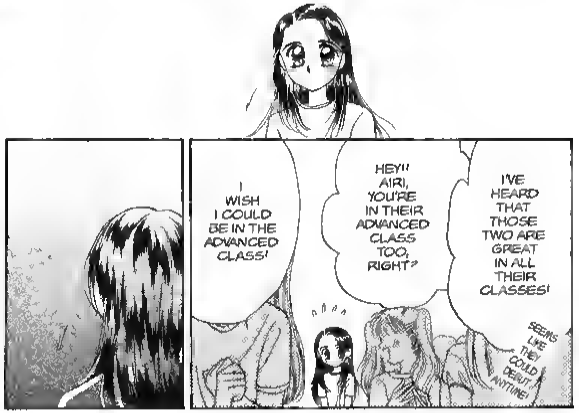
WE'VE DECIDED ON YOUR DEBUT!



EVERYONE GATHER 'ROUND! A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL...
AND... I HAVE SOME NEWS...
BUT DON'T BE SATISFIED! EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU HAS THE ABILITY TO CHANGE THE WHOLE WORLD.
GREAT JOB! EVERYONE DID GREAT TODAY...
YO, YUMI.

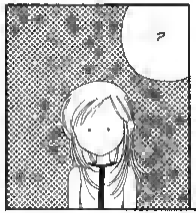

KIND OF I FEEL LEFT BEHIND, ALL ALONE
SHIBUYA, TOKYO

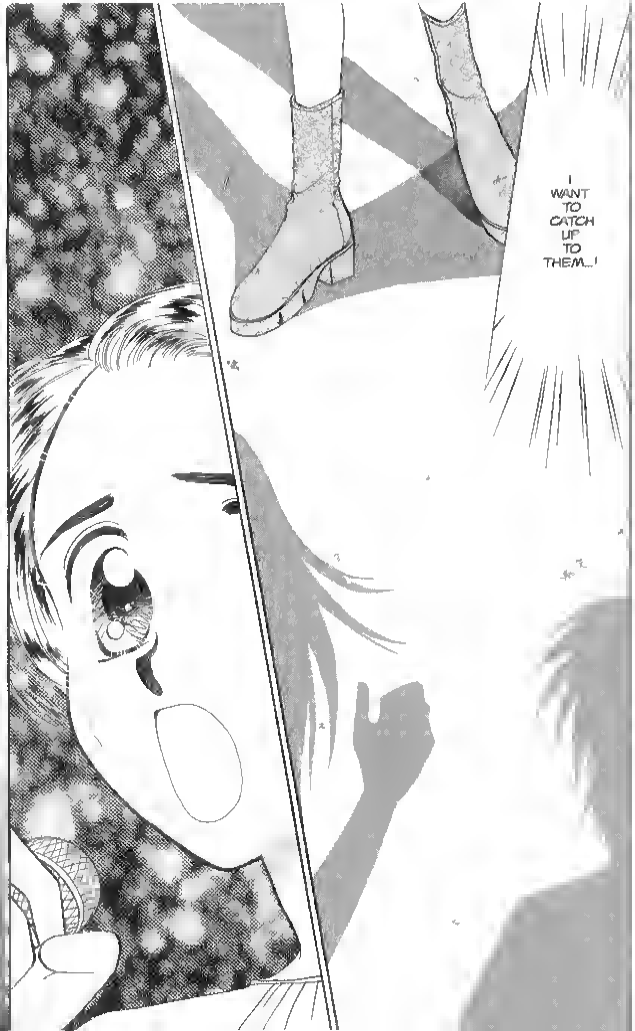

WOW! INCREDIBLE!
CONGR..
AND YUMI WILL BE THAT FALL
YU'S WILL BE NEXT SUMMER.
YADDA
WHEN!?
YADDA
WOW!
THE PEOPLE FROM PRODUCTION
WE WERE JUST TALKING TO..
CONGRATULATIONS!


I WISH I COULD BE IN THE ADVANCED CLASS!
HEY!! AIRI, YOU'RE IN THEIR ADVANCED CLASS TOO, RIGHT?
I'VE HEARD THAT THOSE TWO ARE GREAT IN ALL THEIR CLASSES!
SEEMS LIKE THEY COULD DEAL ANYTHING!

NHK SATELLITE NO
MUSIC JUMP
RECORDING SCHE
"GIRLS SIDE"

10 00~ B B W
10 40~ KAME
11.25~



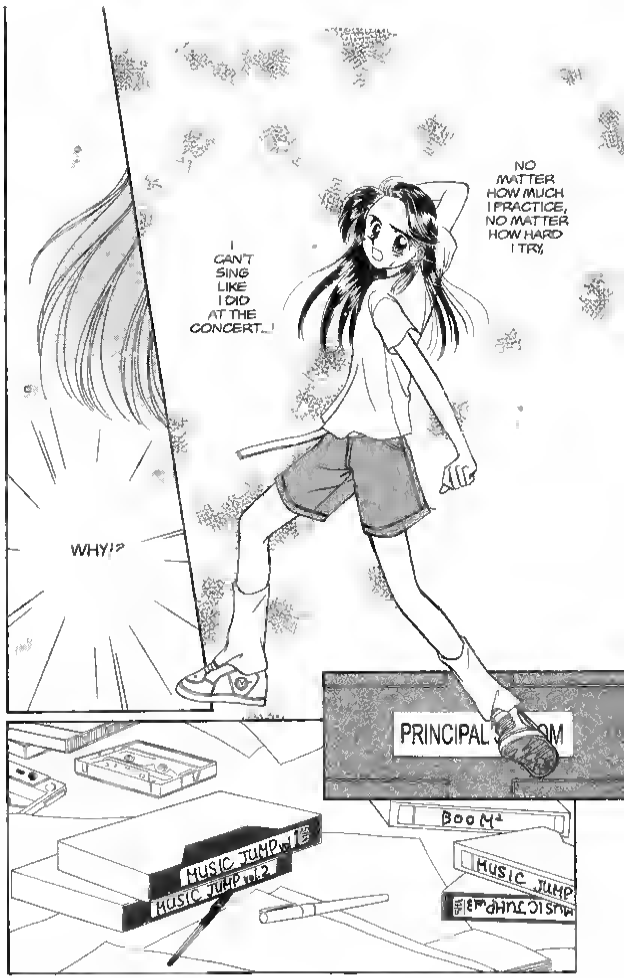

I WANT TO CATCH UP TO THEM...!

HOW CAN I GET COOL LIKE YUMI?
HOW CAN I GET FLASHY LIKE YU?

WHAT'S WRONG? JUST BE YOURSELF!
AIRI!
OKINAWA ACTORS
OKINAWA
WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME...?

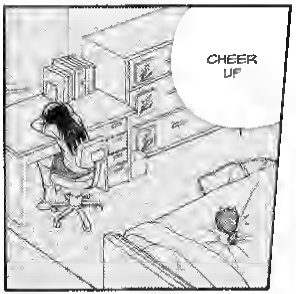
LIVE RECORDING
REALLY HAS A PRESENCE.
THE SHORT HAIRED ONE IS PRETTY COOL, TOO
REALLY LIGHTS UP THE SCREEN!
THIS YU GIRL IS GREAT!
GREAT JOB! LOOKS GOOD.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
THAT GIRL IN THE MIDDLE DOESN'T MAKE MUCH OF AN IMPRESSION KIND OF LIKE SHE HAS NO PERSONALITY...
BUT...

I'M...
TO BE IN THE REGULAR CLASS STARTING NEXT WEEK!?
HUH!?
SSON ROO

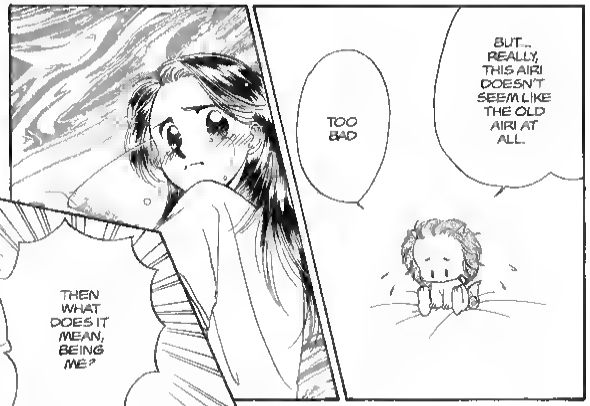

I CAN'T SING LIKE I DID AT THE CONCERT...!
NO MATTER HOW MUCH I PRACTICE, NO MATTER HOW HARD I TRY,
WHY!?
PRINCIPAL
MUSIC JUMP vol.1
MUSIC JUMP vol.2
MUSIC JUMP

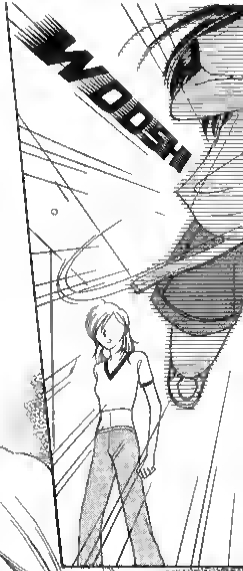
NO!!!

BUT WHY!?
I'VE WORKED SO HARD THEN WHY FROM ADVANCED CLASS TO THE REGULAR CLASS!?
I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL.
BUT YOU NEED TO THINK ABOUT THINGS.
SO...
YOU WON'T BE PARTICIPATING IN THE MUSIC JUMP RECORDINGS FOR AWHILE.



AIRI...



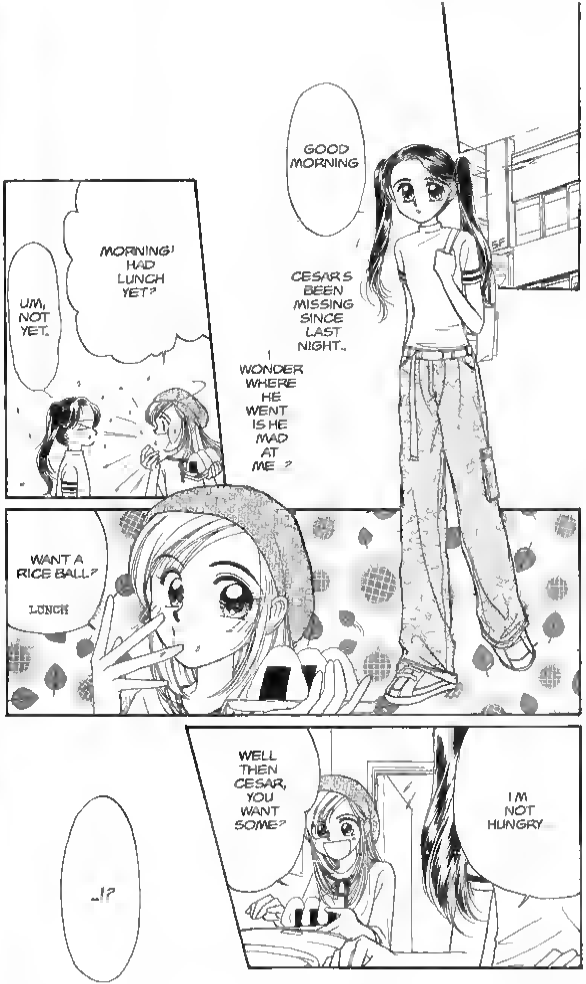


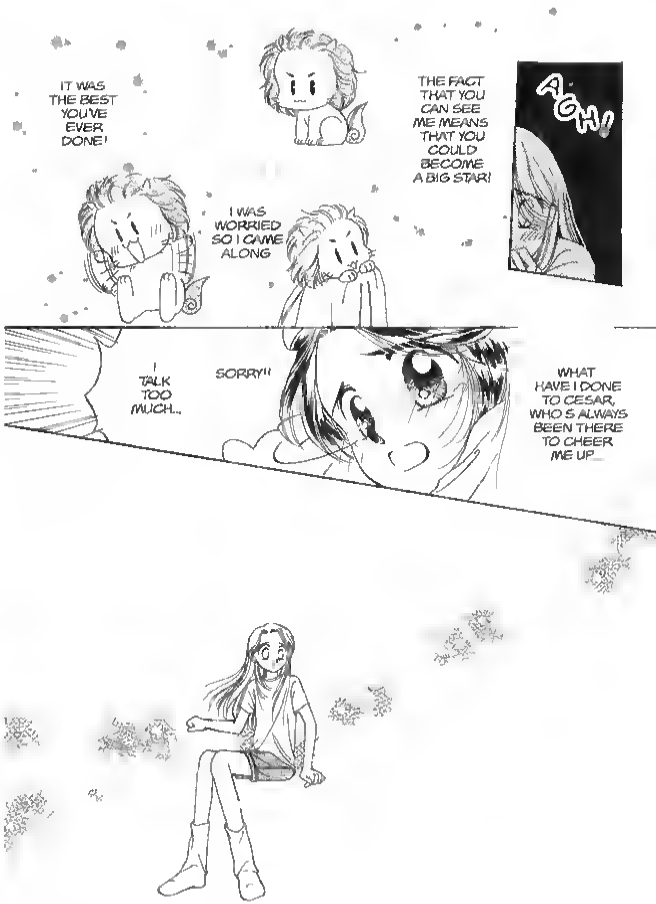
AIRI

PLEASE HURRY UP AND FIND YOURSELF_!

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ANYWAY!?

I DON'T UNDER-STAND... STUFF LIKE THAT...
I DON'T GET IT!!
ISSA SAID IT. FIND YOUR OWN INNER LIGHT!!
WELL, IT'S THIS WAY...
STOP IT!! JUST LEAVE ME ALONE!!

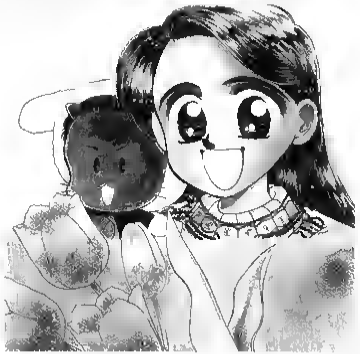

GOOD MORNING
CESAR'S BEEN MISSING SINCE LAST NIGHT..
I WONDER WHERE HE WENT IS HE MAD AT ME..?
MORNING! HAD LUNCH YET?
UM, NOT YET.
WANT A RICE BALL?
LUNCH
WELL THEN CESAR, YOU WANT SOME?
I'M NOT HUNGRY...
..!?


IT WAS THE BEST YOU'VE EVER DONE!
THE FACT THAT YOU CAN SEE ME MEANS THAT YOU COULD BECOME A BIG STAR!
AGH!
I WAS WORRIED SO I CAME ALONG
I TALK TOO MUCH..
SORRY!!
WHAT HAVE I DONE TO CESAR, WHO'S ALWAYS BEEN THERE TO CHEER ME UP...

I CAN'T SEE CESAR ANYMORE...!!
I CAN'T SEE!!

HE'S RIGHT HERE RIGHT? CESAR?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
CESAR'S HERE!?
WHERE!?
OKAY THEN! LET'S DO THE CESAR DANCE!!
YOU LOOK KINDA DOWN
YO! CESAR! HERE TODAY, TOO?
GOOD MORNING YUMI
HI!

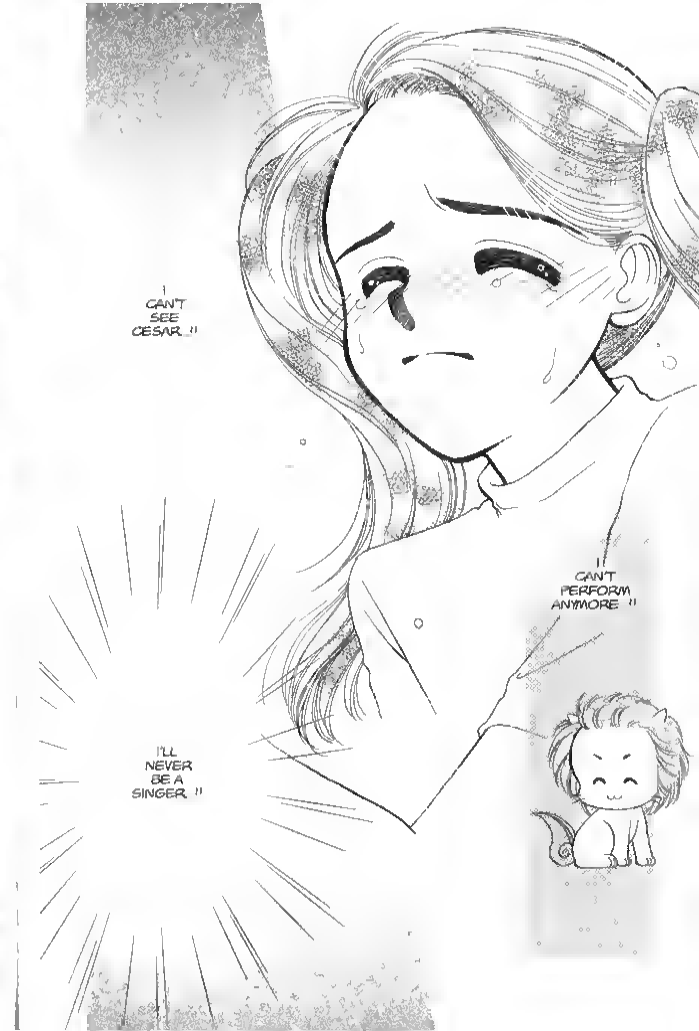
I CAN'T SEE!!
I CAN'T SEE CESAR ANYMORE !!

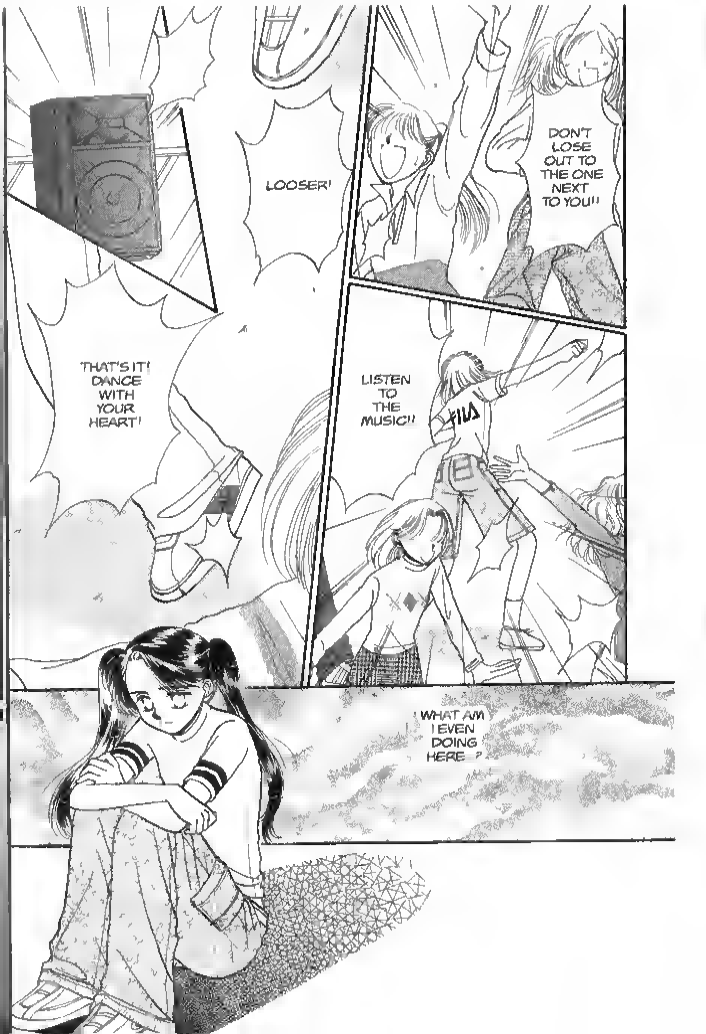


WHAT ? OUR CLASS HASN'T STARTED YET!
!! GOTTA GO NOW, MY LESSON'S STARTING
I'M IN THE REGULAR CLASS STARTING TODAY
NO
FOR SURE WHAT CESAR SAID MUST BE TRUE..!!

THOSE WHO CAN SEE ME WILL BECOME MAJOR STARS!
GASP!
AIRI?
OH..

LESSON ROOM
WE'LL START WITH VOCAL EXERCISES


I CAN'T SEE CESAR !!
I CAN'T PERFORM ANYMORE !!
I'LL NEVER BE A SINGER !!


LOOSER!
DON'T LOSE OUT TO THE ONE NEXT TO YOU!!
THAT'S IT! DANCE WITH YOUR HEART!
LISTEN TO THE MUSIC!!
WHAT AM I EVEN DOING HERE?

EVERYBODY! WHERE'S YOUR ENERGY?!
CLAP!
CLAP!
Hi Hi Puffy
AIRI.
IF YOU LOOK DOWN YOUR VOICE WON'T PROJECT!
WE'LL HAVE A DANCE CONTEST!
OKAY, LETS BREAK INTO GROUPS OF FIVE TO DANCE!
PUT YOUR ENERGY INTO IT!
WITH THAT KIND OF ATTITUDE, YOU'LL LOSE YOUR AUDIENCE!

YU AND YUMI ARE IN THE OTHER CLASS..
I...
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO DANCE ANYMORE...!!
CHTTR
CHRRRRP

MY DREAMS DON'T MATTER ANYMORE ANYWAY
GOOD! NEXT GROUP!
CLAP!
STOMP!!

THAT'S THE GIRL WHO WON THE GRAND PRIX AT THE LAST AUDITION
YUMI, WHO'S YÛ TALKING TO?
SHE'S THE NEWEST MEMBER OF B.B.
OH
REALLY...

MS.
MS. ANNA
LAST SONG
EVERYONE
CLAP
WHAT AM I GONNA DO...?
BAROOM!
BAROOM
OKAY, SPECIALIZED CLASS
WE'RE STARTING

I'M...FINE
I'M DOING MY BEST
DAD'S WORRIED
HE SAYS YOU HAVEN'T BEEN ON MUSIC JUMP[1] OR BOOM[2] LATELY AND YOU SEEM DOWN IN THE DUMPS.

ACTORS
OKINAWA ACTORS SCH
ALMOST TIME FOR THE REGULAR CLASS LESSON...

AIRI SHOULDN'T YOU BE AT ACTORS TODAY? YOU WANT ME TO TAKE YOU?

THAT'S OKAY

ISHIKAWA
SIS
I'M LEAVING

CREEEEEK
AIRI!!
WOW!! IT'S THE REAL AIRI!!

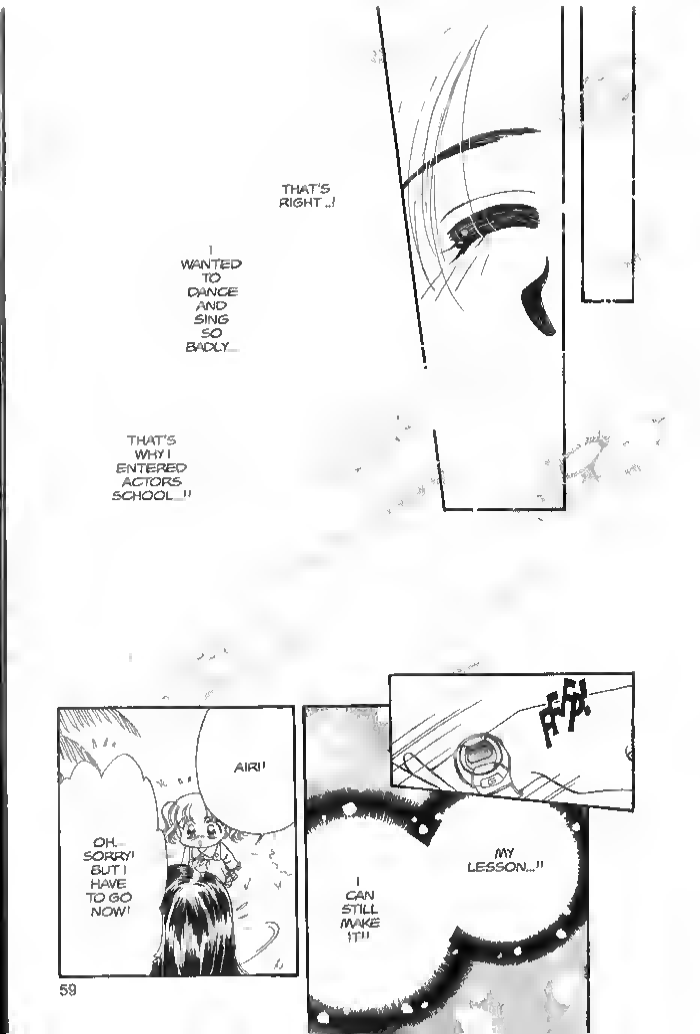
THE ACTORS SCHOOL THAT I SO WANTED TO GO TO...
I HAVE NOWHERE TO GO NOW...!!
SWOOSH

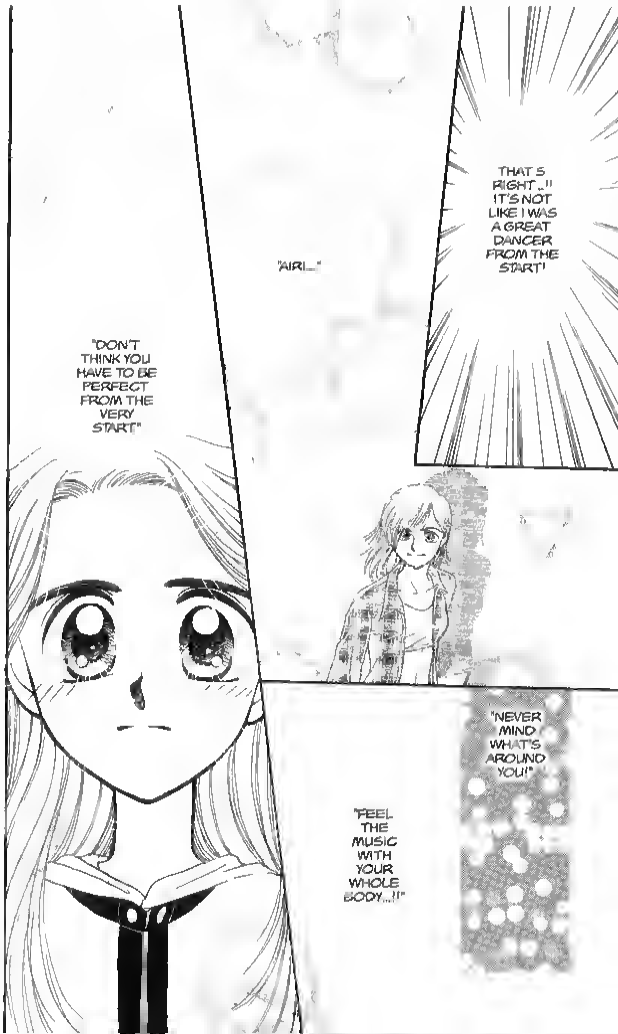
WOW
TEE REE!
SHE EVEN COPIED ALL THE MANNERISMS.
WATCH.
SHH
WHAT? NO WAY!
ALMOST PERFECT. THERE WAS JUST ONE BIT WRONG!

WHY AREN'T YOU ON TV ANYMORE?
I REALLY LOVE YOU, AIRI!!
GIGGLE!
OOH!
TH.
THANKS.
SEE!
I MEMORIZED YOUR DANCE AND EVERY THING!!
YOU KNOW WHAT? WHEN I GROW UP I WANNA BE LIKE YOU, AIRI!!

ARE YOU OKAY?
YUP! I'M GONNA DANCE SOME MORE!
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO COPY ME
YOU JUST HAVE TO HAVE FUN DANCING!
I WAS PRETTY BAD AT FIRST TOO
WHAT? AIR! WAS BAD?
YUP!
OF COURSE...

WOW!
WAY COOL!
SEE?
I CAN DO IT!
WOOOPS!
OH!


THAT'S RIGHT..!
I WANTED TO DANCE AND SING SO BADLY...
THAT'S WHY I ENTERED ACTORS SCHOOL...!!
AIRI!
OH... SORRY! BUT I HAVE TO GO NOW!
I CAN STILL MAKE IT!!
MY LESSON...!!

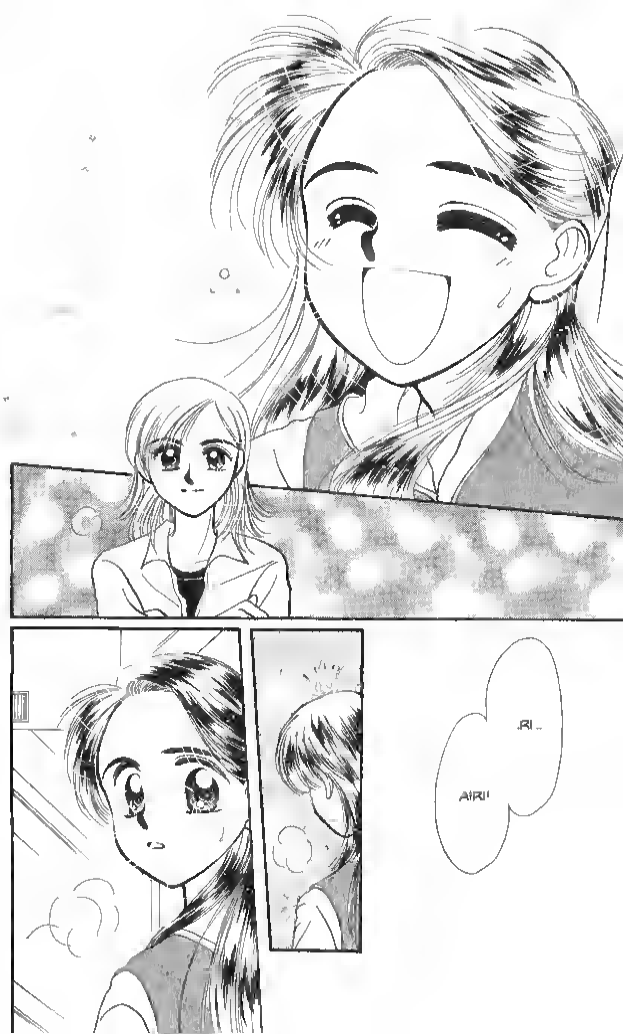

"AIRI..."
"DON'T THINK YOU HAVE TO BE PERFECT FROM THE VERY START."
THAT'S RIGHT..!! IT'S NOT LIKE I WAS A GREAT DANCER FROM THE START!
"FEEL THE MUSIC WITH YOUR WHOLE BODY...!!"
"NEVER MIND WHAT'S AROUND YOU!"

LESSON ROOM 1
SO WHAT IF IT'S REGULAR OR SPECIAL
EVERYONE'S A STAR!!
THAT'S RIGHT...!!
YOU HAVE THE BEST SMILE!! GOOD LUCK!
I LIKE YOU THE BEST!!
AIR!
I'D FORGOTTEN!!
WHEN DID I START GETTING SO HUNG UP OVER BEING ON TV?
I WAS BEING SILLY
OKI
ACTORS

WHO CARES ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE
MY WHOLE BODY IS FEELING THE BEAT..!!

IT'S SO GREAT TO DANCE WITH ALL MY HEART AND SOUL..!!

PT!


..RI..
AIRI!

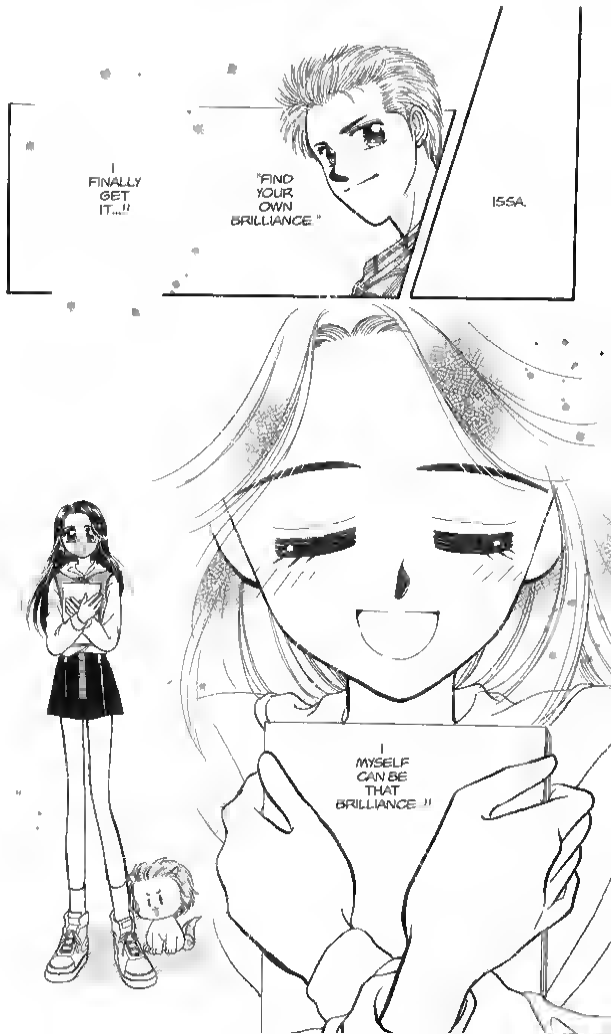
I'M SO GLAD..! WE'RE TOGETHER AGAIN..!!
AIRI..
MS. ANNA?
SHEESH YOU HAD ME WORRIED!
BONK!
THIS— IS FOR YOU, AIRI..

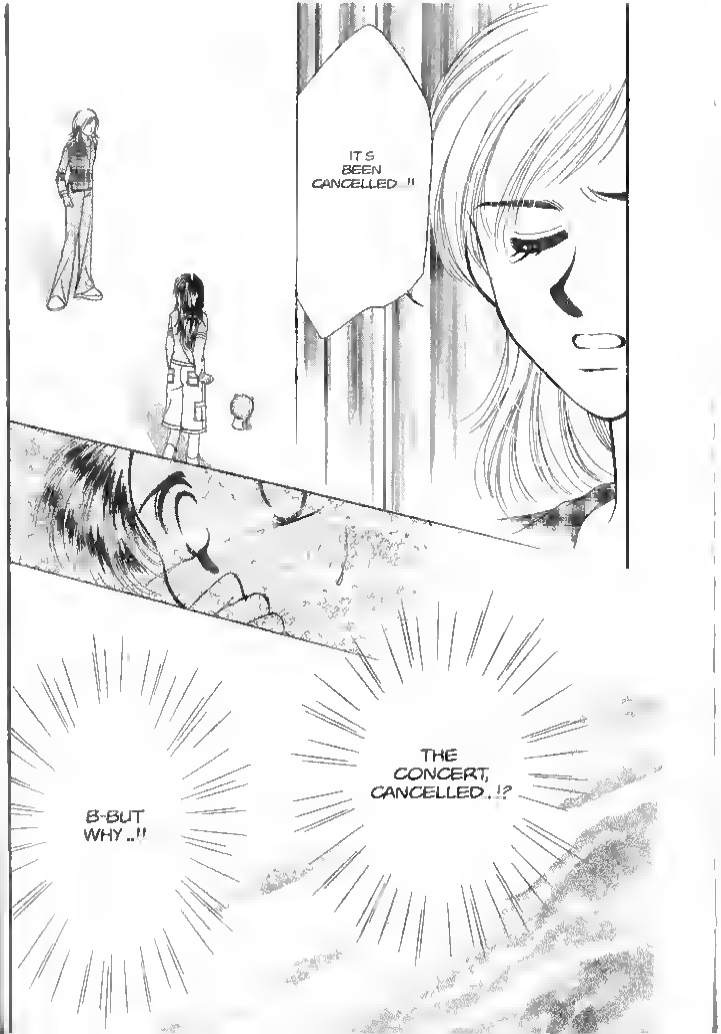
CESAR!!

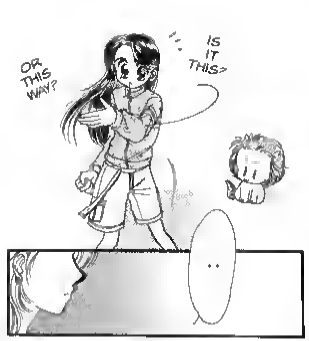
YOUR AUDIENCE WANTS AIRI
COPYING OTHERS WON'T WORK
YOU NEED TO BE YOURSELF
I THINK YOU UNDERSTAND NOW
I'LL BECOME THE SINGER THAT OTHER PEOPLE WANT TO BE!
MS ANNA !
I WON'T EVER COMPARE MYSELF TO ANYONE ELSE AGAIN!

IT'S A SONG FOR YOU TO SING AT THE NEXT B.B CONCERT
LYRICS HAPPY LOVE
HAPPY LOVE
KISS ME LIKE
DON'T SAY A WORD
THAT DAY WE TRUSED ABOUT OUR DREAMS
EVEN NOW I FOLLOW YOU IT SEEMS
TELL ME
UM...
WHAT'S THIS...?
THEN...
I CAN COME BACK TO B.B WAVES...?
CONCERT!

STARTING TODAY B.B WILL PREPARE FOR THE CONCERT, SO HAVE YOUR SONGS READY
COOL!
OKINA
NOW... THEN...
R...
RRR...
RRR...
RRR
MS. ANNA!
MS. ANNA!


I FINALLY GET IT...!!
"FIND YOUR OWN BRILLIANCE."
ISSA.
I MYSELF CAN BE THAT BRILLIANCE!!


IT'S BEEN CANCELLED !!
THE CONCERT, CANCELLED..!?
B-BUT WHY..!!


OR THIS WAY?
IS IT THIS?
..

UM, I WAS A LITTLE CONFUSED ABOUT ONE STEP.

AIRI..
THERE'S NO NEED TO PRACTICE THAT SONG ANYMORE...
THE CONCERT...
HUH!?

WH... WHY...!?
IT'S A SHAME BUT THE CONCERT'S BEEN CANCELLED.
THE THEATER WE WERE HOLDING THE CONCERT IN
CANCELLED IT

That's where Akemi's killed by Ryo!
Dashed into the lock by
KAIHIN PARK
NO THEATER, HUH.
AW...

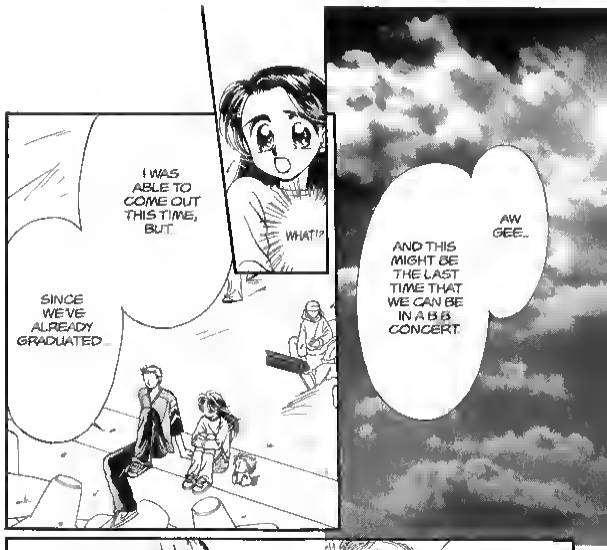
THE BIG STUDIO HAD INVITED A FAMOUS PRODUCER.
AND SAY THAT THEY CAN'T POSSIBLY BUDGE.
LESSON ROOM
AND THE ACTORS SCHOOL'S CONCERT WERE SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME DATE
A MAJOR STUDIO'S FAMOUS GROUP...
THERE ARE NO OTHER THEATERS AVAILABLE...
AIRI...
H..HOW COULD THAT BE!!
I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT CONCERT SO MUCH...!!
NOW THAT I KNEW I COULD FINALLY DO IT!

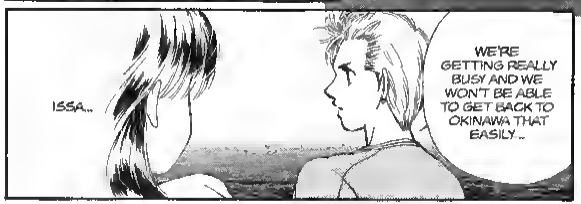
ISSA!
I HEAR YOU
YO!
YO!
YOU'RE BACK!?
WE WERE GONNA BE IN THE B B CONCERT

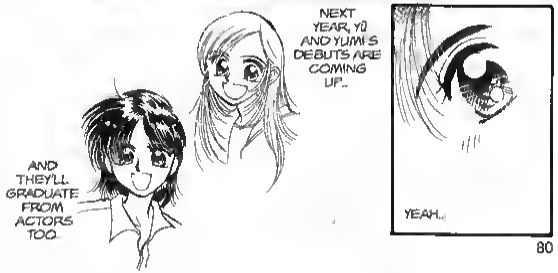
I'M NOT...
CESAR
I CAN'T GIVE UP...
I HAVE TO SING!!
KSH
SWEET X3
LYRICS MUSIC
YOU MAKE ME FEEL SO GOOD X3
SO GOOD X2
EVEN WHEN WE'RE A
I FEEL YOU IN MY H

I WANT EVERONE TO HEAR IT...!!
MY SONG...

I HAVE TO DO THIS CONCERT!!
SO REALLY..
KAPOOM!
They broke mom!
Dropping it
dropping it
Everybody jumping!
Spread love & Lovers!
Ya bugaiye
WHAAT!?
LET'S DANCE TOO!
HEY!!


I WAS ABLE TO COME OUT THIS TIME, BUT
WHAT!?
SINCE WE'VE ALREADY GRADUATED
AW GEE..
AND THIS MIGHT BE THE LAST TIME THAT WE CAN BE IN A B.B CONCERT

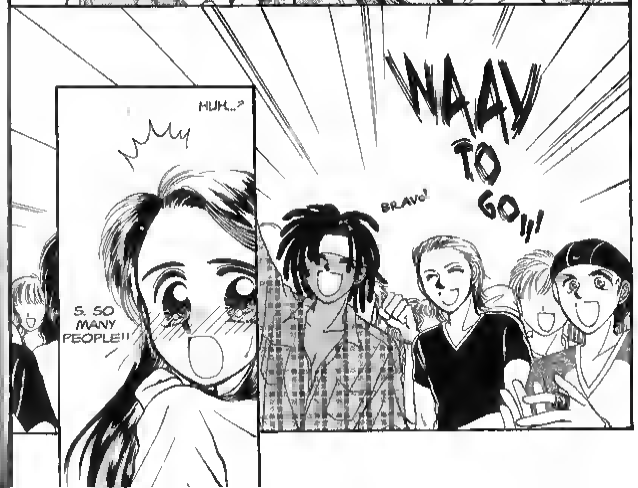

ISSA..
WE'RE GETTING REALLY BUSY AND WE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET BACK TO OKINAWA THAT EASILY..

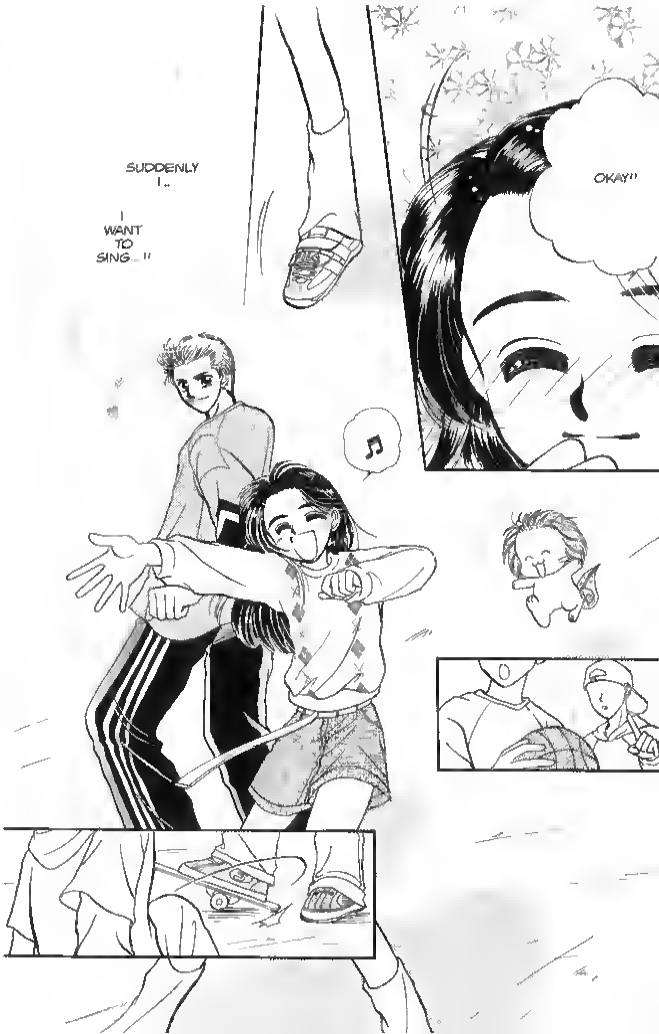

NEXT YEAR, YU AND YUMI'S DEBUTS ARE COMING UP..
AND THEY'LL GRADUATE FROM ACTORS TOO..
YEAH..

WOW
YOU'RE GOOD, ISSA..!!
WOW!
COME ON AND JOIN ME!!
WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR?
HUH?

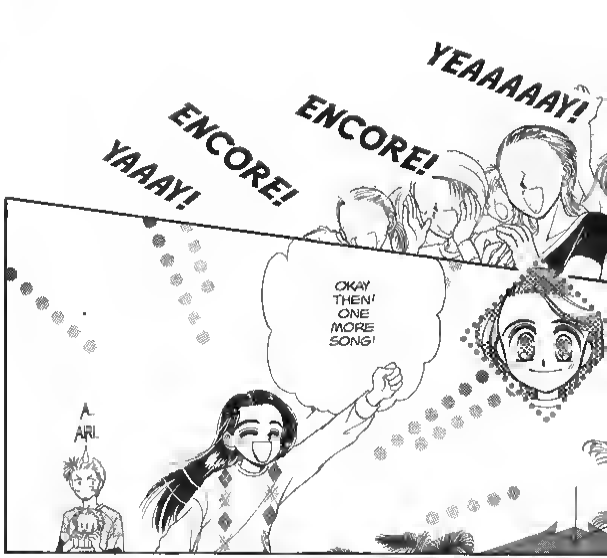
ISSA!?
VOOM

DUP!
DUP!
WHEW!
HA HA!

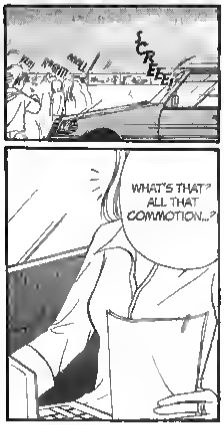

NAAY
TO GO!!
BRAVO!
HUH..?
S. SO MANY PEOPLE!!

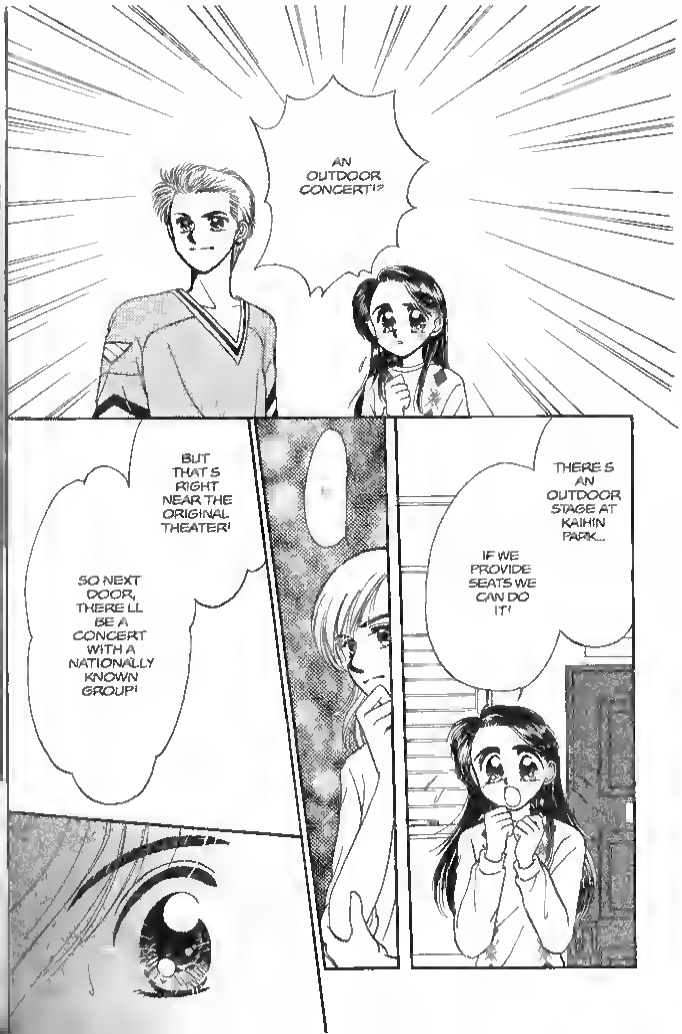

SUDDENLY I..
I WANT TO SING..!!
OKAY!!

YOU MAKE ME FEEL SO GOOD, GOOD, GOOD
SO GOOD, GOOD, GOOD
SO SWEET, SWEET, SWEET
EVEN WHEN WE'RE APART
I FEEL YOU IN MY HEART
AND I'M NOT EVEN ON STAGE...
SO MANY PEOPLE CHEERING ME ON...
THIS FEELS GREAT!!

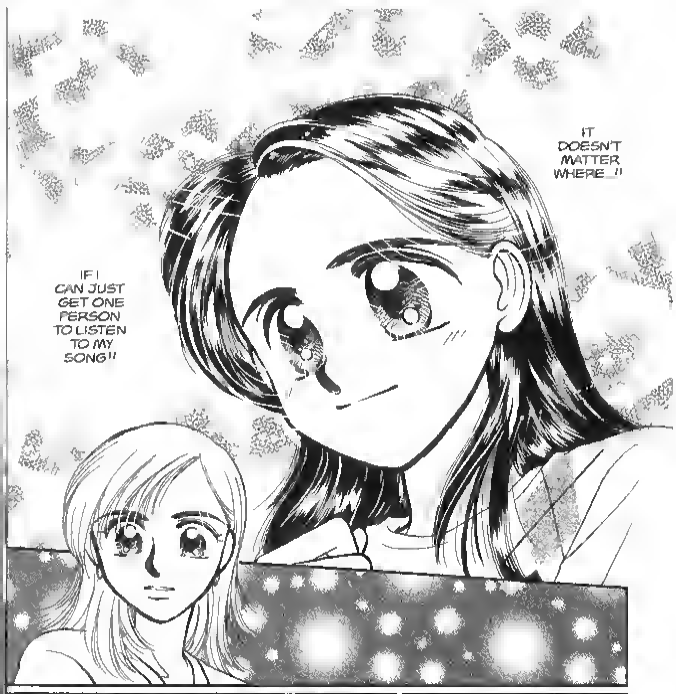

YEAAAAAY!
ENCORE!
ENCORE!
YAAAY!
OKAY, THEN! ONE MORE SONG!
A-ARI...

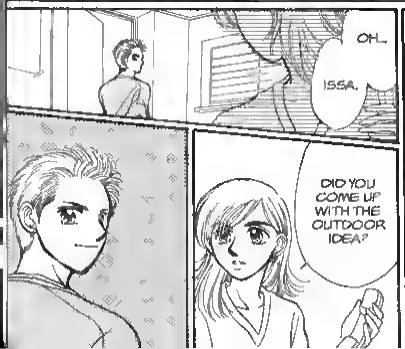
THAT'S AIRI ISHIKAWA FROM THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL...
I EVEN KNOW HER!
WOW

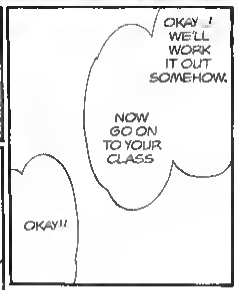

SCREECH
WHAT'S THAT? ALL THAT COMMOTION...?


AN OUTDOOR CONCERT!?
BUT THAT'S RIGHT NEAR THE ORIGINAL THEATER!
SO NEXT DOOR, THERE'LL BE A CONCERT WITH A NATIONALLY KNOWN GROUP!
THERE'S AN OUTDOOR STAGE AT KAIHIN PARK...
IF WE PROVIDE SEATS WE CAN DO IT!

W-WAIT A MINUTE
THAT'S IT_!!
WHAT_!?


IT DOESN'T MATTER WHERE...!!
IF I CAN JUST GET ONE PERSON TO LISTEN TO MY SONG!!


OH...
ISSA.
DID YOU COME UP WITH THE OUTDOOR IDEA?


OKAY...! WE'LL WORK IT OUT SOMEHOW.
NOW GO ON TO YOUR CLASS
OKAY!!

BUT WITH ALL THAT GOING AGAINST US
CAN YOU SEE IT THROUGH?
AND WITH A CONCERT THAT'S BEEN CANCELLED ONCE, WE MIGHT NOT GET AN AUDIENCE!
BESIDES, WE CAN'T SET UP SOUND SYSTEMS OR LIGHTING OUTDOORS

I CAN DO IT.
YESS!!
BECAUSE I HAVE TO SING!!

HUH...
THE THEATER'S KINDA EMPTY...
I HOPE I'LL DO OKAY. THE ACOUSTICS HERE SUCK...
I HEARD THAT THE BIG CONCERT SOLD OUT ALL 3,000 TICKETS ON THE SPOT.
YA THINK ANYONE WILL COME?
I HEARD THAT THE BIG CONCERT NEXT DOOR IS OPENING AT THE SAME TI
Music Room A
AND THERE'S SOME BIG DEAL PRODUCER THERE OR SOMETHING...
B.B. WAU

AIRI...
SHE'S GETTING BETTER AT THINKING FOR HERSELF
NO...
IT WAS AIRI
WELL, OF COURSE.
SHE'S ONE OF OUR STUDENTS

GO GO GO!!
WOO HOO!!
MS. ANNA, THERE'S TROUBLE!!
OUTSIDE
BAM!

WE CAN PUT ON A CONCERT!!
BUT.. WE'RE GREAT!
WE CAN DO IT!!
A CONCERT..
THAT'S.. THAT'S RIGHT!
YEAH!!
LET'S DO IT, YOU GUYS!!

I THOUGHT I'D FINALLY BE ON STAGE...
MS. ANNA!!
...

SSOOOSH!
WH...
WHAT...!!
LET'S GO HOME
OH, WELL
AAAAGH!
OKAY, THAT'S IT. IT'S DEFINITELY CANCELLED

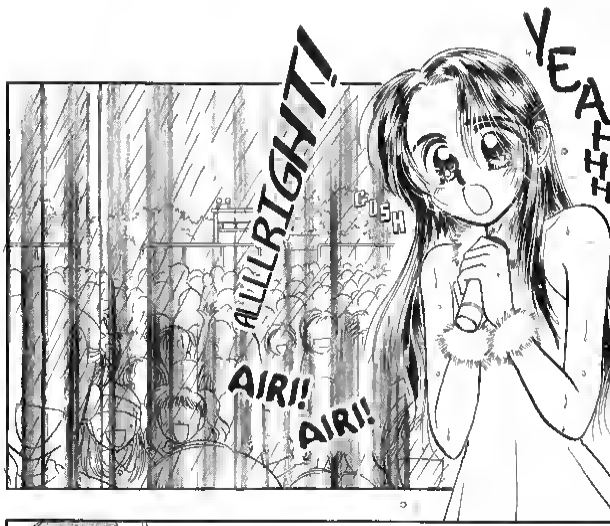
AIR!
ISHIKAWA!!
I
CAN
SING_!!
EVERTHING'S
OKAY!!

WE'RE
STARTING
NOW!!
SHHAAA!!
THANKS
EVERYONE
FOR
WAITING
IT'S THE
B B & BABY
WAVES
CONCERT!!
WH...?
IT'S
STARTING!?
AND
TODAY'S
OPENER
IS... CAN
YOU
BELIEVE
HER
FOLKS?
SINGING
HER
ORIGINAL
SONG
SWEET X 3

I LOVE TO SING!
I LOVE TO DANCE...!
SWEET SWEET SWEET
SO SWEET SWEET
IN MY HEART
I LOVE THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL...!!

YOU MAKE ME GOOD GOOD GOOD, SO GOOD, SO GOOD..
WHEN I COULDN'T SING MY SONG...
WHEN I FORGOT HOW TO DANCE MY DANCE
COMPARED TO THOSE SAD DAYS..
THIS RAIN IS NOTHING!!

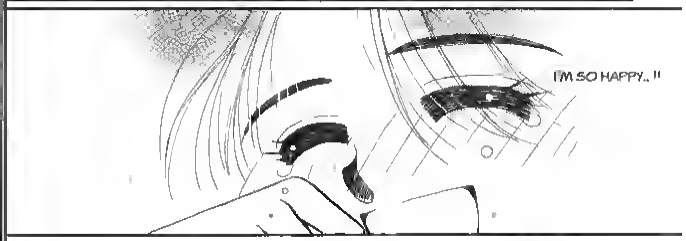
HEARD YOUR SINGING AND ARE COMING OVER.
THEY...
AIRI'S SO CUTE!!
WOW! SO MANY PEOPLE...
YEAHHH!!!
LOOK! LOOK!! THE SIDEWALKS ARE JAMMED!

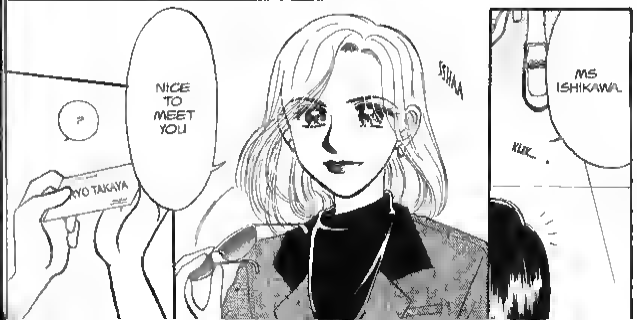

ALLRIGHT!
YEAHH
AIRI!!
AIRI!!

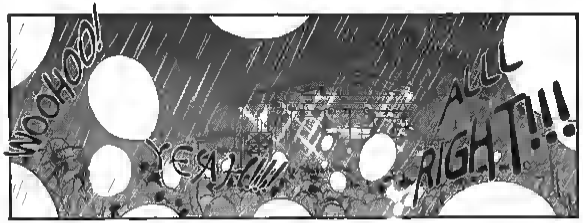
WH-WHEN DID SO MANY PEOPLE...

AIRI, LOOK!
PEOPLE ARE COMING FROM THE CONCERT NEXT DOOR.
WHAT!?
ISSA...
FOOT

YEAHHH!!
WE DID FOUR ENCORES!
THAT WAS AMAZING!! IT'S A SMASHING SUCCESS, YOU GUYS!!
WHO WOULD HAVE DREAMED THAT THIS HUGE ARENA WOULD FILL UP...
AND THEY'RE STILL APPLAUDING!
MUSIC ROO
WOO-HOO!!!

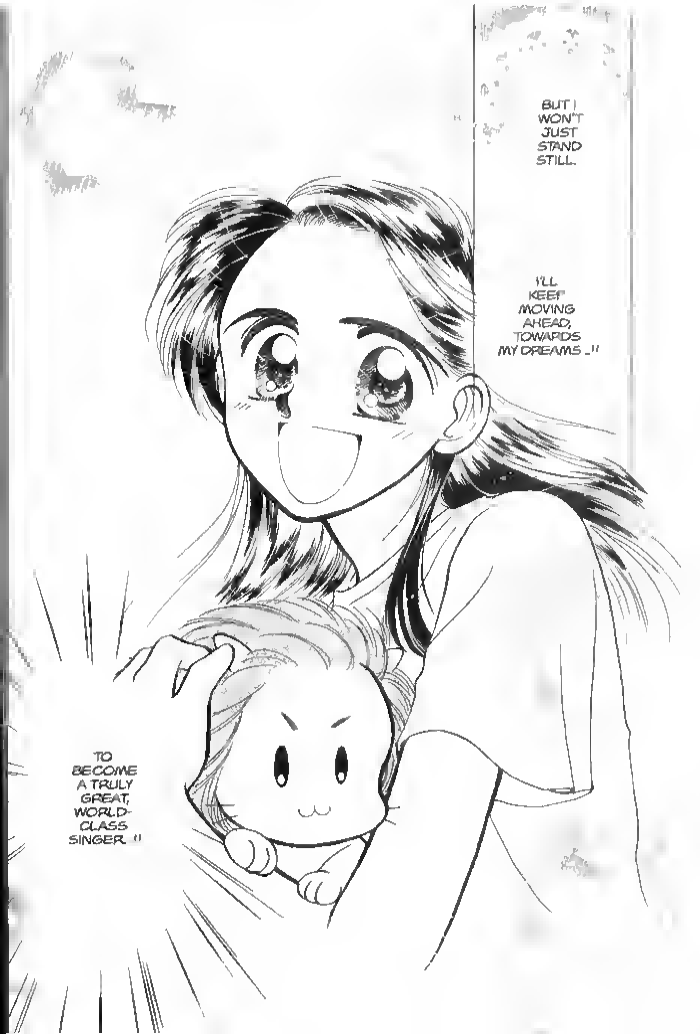

I'M SO HAPPY..!!


NICE TO MEET YOU
?
...NO TAKAYA
ISHIKA
MS. ISHIKAWA.
KUK...


WOOHOO!
YEAH!!!
ALL RIGHT!!!

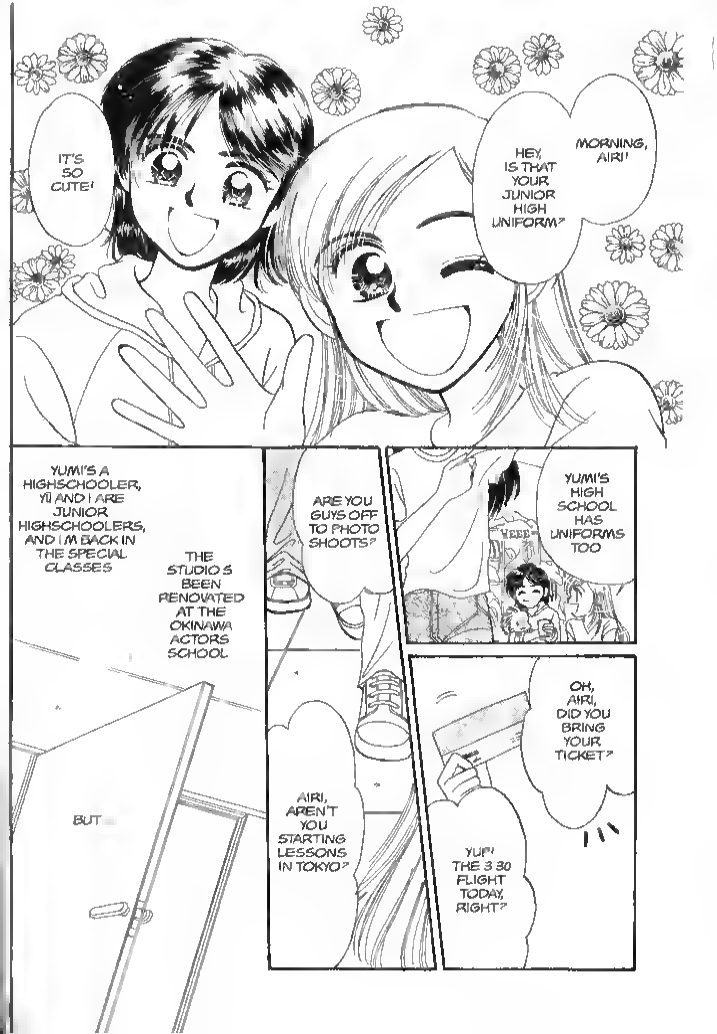
YOU CAN MAKE IT IN SHOW BUSINESS
AND I'D LIKE TO BE YOUR PRODUCER!
ME!?
YOU HAVE REAL CHARISMA!
THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT
THINK IT OVER
COME TO TOKYO.
WE'LL BE TOGETHER AGAIN SOON
YU, YUMI ..
AIRI, THAT'S AMAZING!! NOW WE'LL ALL DEBUT!

SOMEONE LIKE THAT..
WHAT COULD SHE WANT..!?
THE SINGERS SHE'S PRODUCED ARE ALL MILLION SELLERS..
WHAT!?
SO SHE'S A WOMAN!
AIRI! SHE'S THE FAMOUS PRODUCER!
PRODUCER..
..RYO TAKAYA..?
AND SEEN YOU DANCE
I'VE HEARD YOUR SINGING..
!!
MAY I ASSIST YOU IN YOUR DEBUT?
MS ISHIKAWA

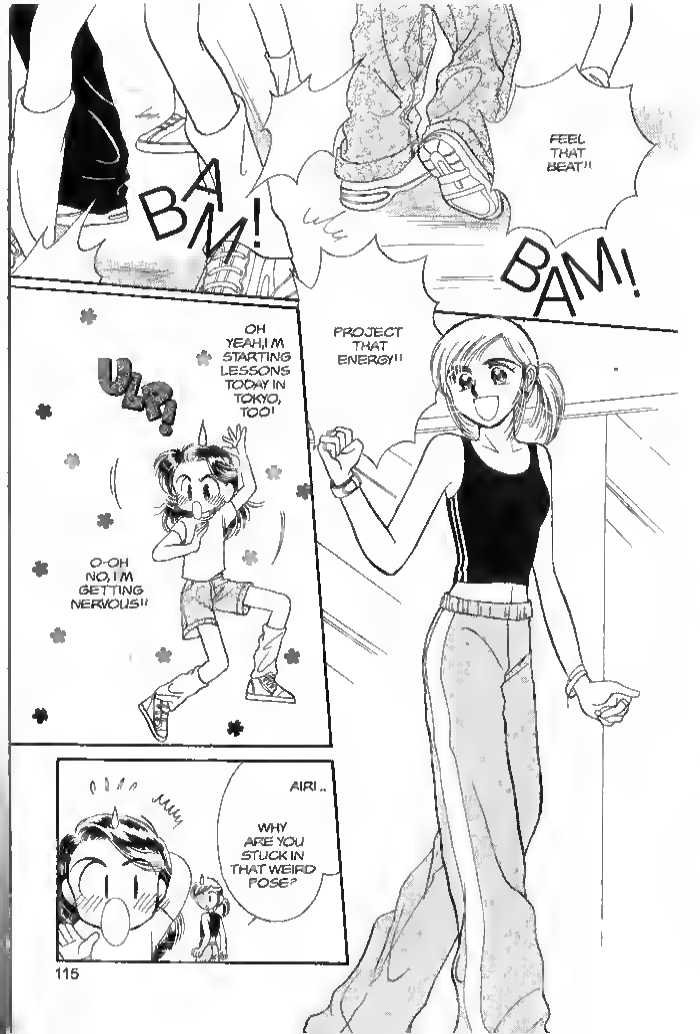

BUT I WON'T JUST STAND STILL.
I'LL KEEP MOVING AHEAD, TOWARDS MY DREAMS..!!
TO BECOME A TRULY GREAT, WORLD-CLASS SINGER.!!

MS. TAKAYA!
THANK YOU! I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU!
WHAT FUTURE WAITS FOR ME NOW?
CAN I REALLY MAKE IT?

OKINAWA
ACTORS SCHOOL
MAXY


IT'S SO CUTE!
HEY, IS THAT YOUR JUNIOR HIGH UNIFORM?
MORNING, AIRI!
YUMI'S A HIGHSCHOOLER, YÜ AND I ARE JUNIOR HIGHSCHOOLERS, AND I'M BACK IN THE SPECIAL CLASSES
THE STUDIO'S BEEN RENOVATED AT THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL
BUT...
ARE YOU GUYS OFF TO PHOTO SHOOTS?
AIRI, AREN'T YOU STARTING LESSONS IN TOKYO?
YEEE~
YUMI'S HIGH SCHOOL HAS UNIFORMS TOO
OH, AIRI, DID YOU BRING YOUR TICKET?
YUP! THE 3:30 FLIGHT TODAY, RIGHT?

ACTORS SCHOOL
STUDIO
MORNING, EVERYONE!


BAM!
FEEL THAT BEAT!!
BAM!
PROJECT THAT ENERGY!!
OH YEAH, I'M STARTING LESSONS TODAY IN TOKYO, TOO!
ULR?
O-OH NO, I'M GETTING NERVOUS!!
AIRI..
WHY ARE YOU STUCK IN THAT WEIRD POSE?

...IT'S OFF TO LESSONS EVERYDAY!!

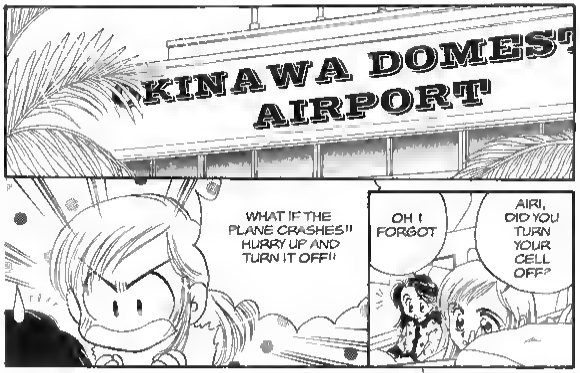
KLIK!
UM, CAN I TAKE A PICTURE WITH YOU?

THEY ACTUALLY LIKE ME
THANKS!
I WATCH YOU ALL THE TIME GOOD LUCK!
GOOD LUCK!

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELVES!
WE'RE OFF, MS ANNA!
MAXY BARGAIN
YŪ AND YUKI TOO!
HEY, IT'S AIRI!
OOOH!

AND HE WAS SO AGAINST THIS..
DAD
JUST CALL ME IF YOU NEED ANYTHING,
YOU'LL BE GOING TO TOKYO MORE OFTEN NOW, SO—
THANK YOU DAD
OKAY

THIS IS SO DIFFERENT FROM THE FIRST TIME WE WENT TO TOKYO, ISN'T IT?
IT SURE IS!
THAT WAS SCARY
HEY CESAR.
NUTS


KINAWA DOMEST
AIRPORT
WHAT IF THE PLANE CRASHES!! HURRY UP AND TURN IT OFF!!
OH I FORGOT
AIRI, DID YOU TURN YOUR CELL OFF?

AIRI.
TAKE THIS WITH YOU
KLINK!

...
GLOOM
HABIT
I FORGOT.
WE'RE NOT FAMOUS IN TOKYO
YEAH...
WHAT WERE THEY ALL SMILING AND POSING FOR? WHAT IDIOTS
...
WHY DO WE NEED YOUR PICTURE, ANYWAY?!

I HAVE LESSONS AT MS TAKAYA'S COMPANY
AIRI, WHERE ARE YOU OFF TO FROM HERE?
NOW I HAVE A GOAL! I'M GONNA BE A GREAT SINGER!
JR SHIBUYA STATION
UM, EXCUSE ME
COULD YOU TAKE A PICTURE?
OKAY

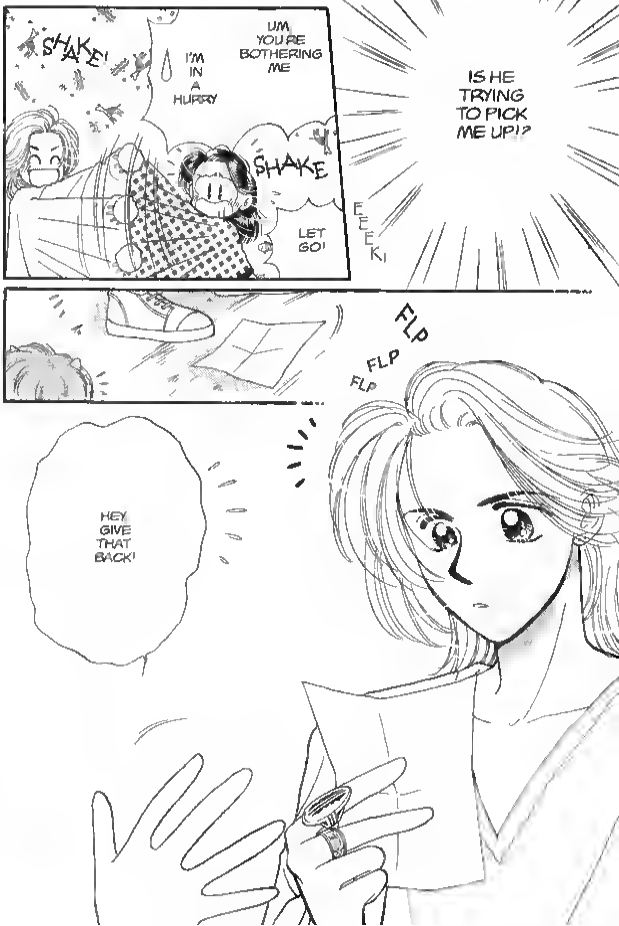
I GOT A MAP,
AND WE WERE THERE FOR THE RECORDINGS SO
TR PRODUCTION
PIECE OF CAKE!
AIRI, WILL YOU REALLY BE ABLE TO FIND THE STUDIO ON YOUR OWN?
ENGLISH LANGUAGE
109
TOKYO TELEVISION
OH,
OVER HERE, OVER HERE!
RIGHT HERE...

THAT'S WHY MS. ANNA ALWAYS TELLS US...
SO NOBODY KNOWS US OUTSIDE OF OKINAWA.
THAT'S RIGHT. BOOM² AND THE CONCERT ARE ONLY SHOWN IN OKINAWA
WELL, SEE YA LATER AT THE HOTEL!
GOOD LUCK!
YOU TOO!
YUMI IS SO MATURE...
YUP!
TO NOT BE SATISFIED WITH WHERE WE ARE,, BUT TO ALWAYS AIM HIGHER.
WE JUST HAVE TO KEEP GETTING BETTER.

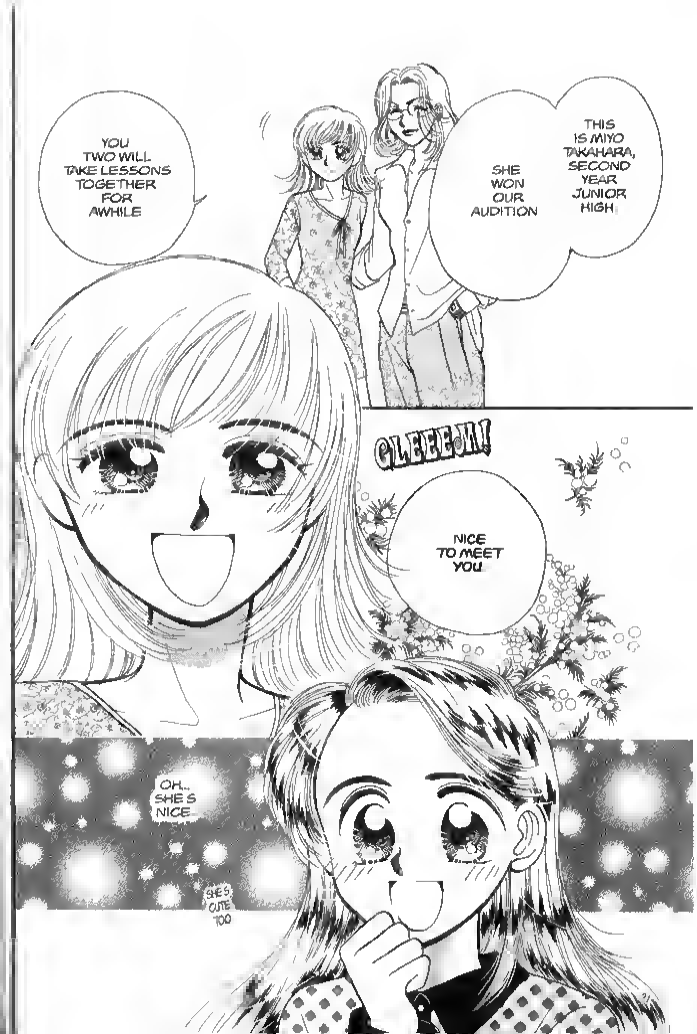
GAA
HUH?
YOU'RE SUPER CUTE!! WANT SOME COMPANY?
CHKK

ARE YOU LOST? ARE YOU LOST?
HEY! WE ALREADY PASSED THIS PLACE!
AAAAGH! WHY ARE YOU SUCH A SCATTER-BRAIN!?
I CAN'T HELP IT!
FORGOT TO BRING THE PHONE NUMBER.
- MAYBE YOU CAN PHONE AND HAVE THEM PICK YOU UP.
HEY WHAT'RE YOU DOING?

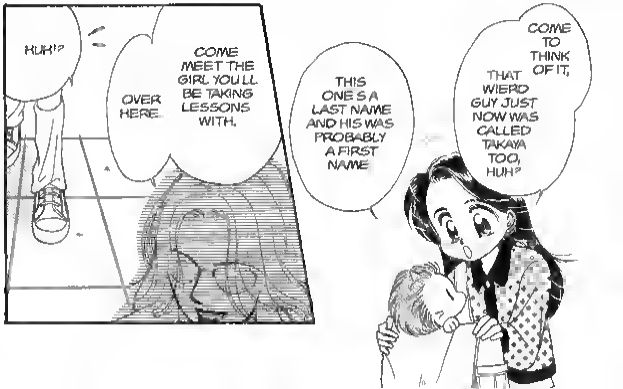
HUH? WELL...
YES..
TR PRODUCTION HUH
SO YOU'RE A BUDDING SINGER OR SOMTHING?
WHAT!?
...MAYBE THAT'S NOT SUCH A GOOD IDEA.
YOU PROBABLY HAVE NO TALENT ANYWAY, RIGHT?
WHAT
YOU THINK YOU CAN BE A STAR BECAUSE YOU'RE LITTLE AND CUTE?
"POP" STARS BECOME HAS BEENS AFTER TWO OR THREE YEARS


SHAKE!
I'M IN A HURRY
UM, YOU'RE BOTHERING ME
SHAKE
LET GO!
IS HE TRYING TO PICK ME UP!?
FLP FLP FLP
HEY, GIVE THAT BACK!

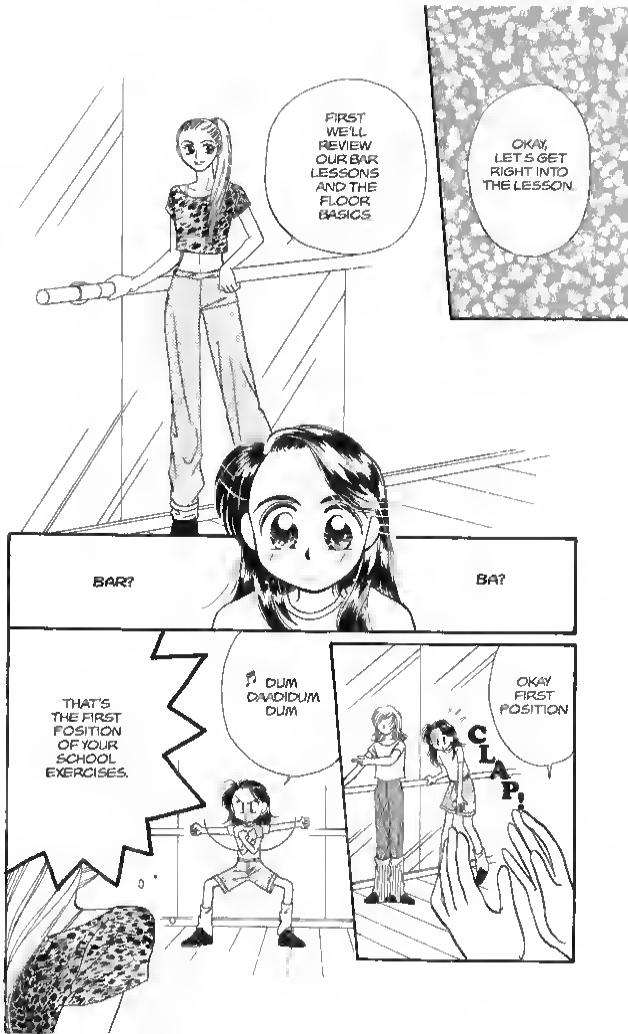
BAROOM
BAROOM
BAROOM


YOU TWO WILL TAKE LESSONS TOGETHER FOR AWHILE
SHE WON OUR AUDITION
THIS IS MIYO TAKAHARA, SECOND YEAR JUNIOR HIGH
CLEEE-IN!
NICE TO MEET YOU
OH... SHE'S NICE
SHE'S CUTE TOO

HELLO... MS. TAKAYA
OH, AIRI! I WAS GETTING WORRIED!
WOW... WHAT A HUGE BUILDING!!
TR PRODUCTION

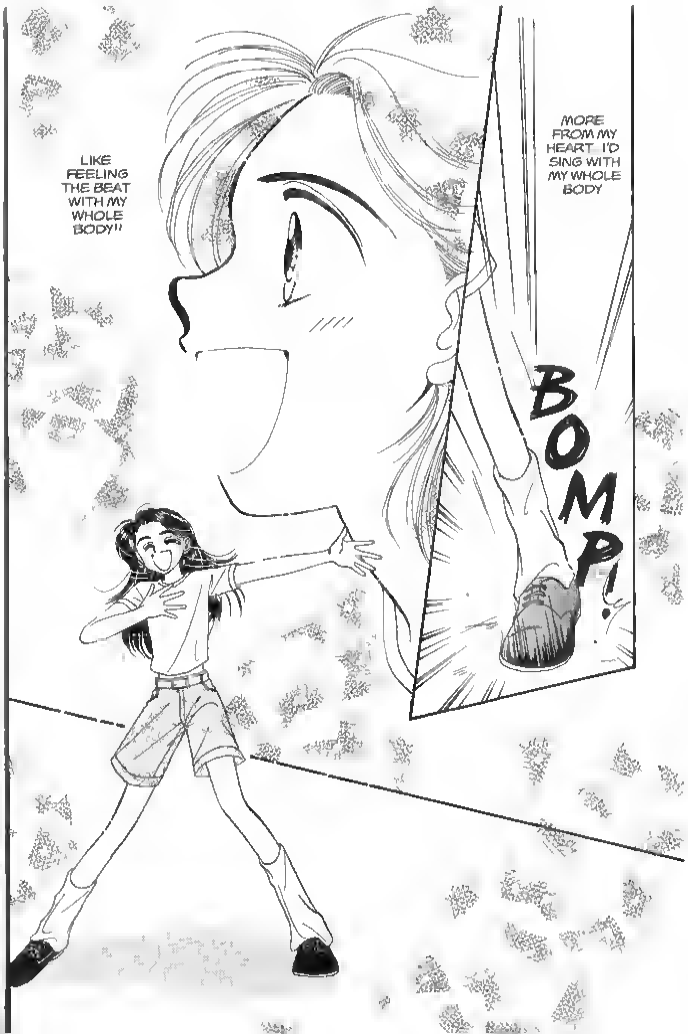

HUH!?
COME MEET THE GIRL YOU'LL BE TAKING LESSONS WITH.
OVER HERE...
THIS ONE'S A LAST NAME AND HIS WAS PROBABLY A FIRST NAME
COME TO THINK OF IT, THAT WIERD GUY JUST NOW WAS CALLED TAKAYA TOO, HUH?

TEE HEE!
AH, UM, I'VE NEVER DONE ANYTHING LIKE THIS..
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
L-LIKE THIS?
WOW IT'S SUCH A BEAUTIFUL DANCE..
ZIP IT, CESAR!
GIGGLE
GIGGLE


OKAY, LET'S GET RIGHT INTO THE LESSON.
FIRST WE'LL REVIEW OUR BAR LESSONS AND THE FLOOR BASICS.
BAR?
BA?
THAT'S THE FIRST FOSITION OF YOUR SCHOOL EXERCISES.
♪ DUM DAADIDUM DUM
OKAY FIRST POSITION
CLAP!

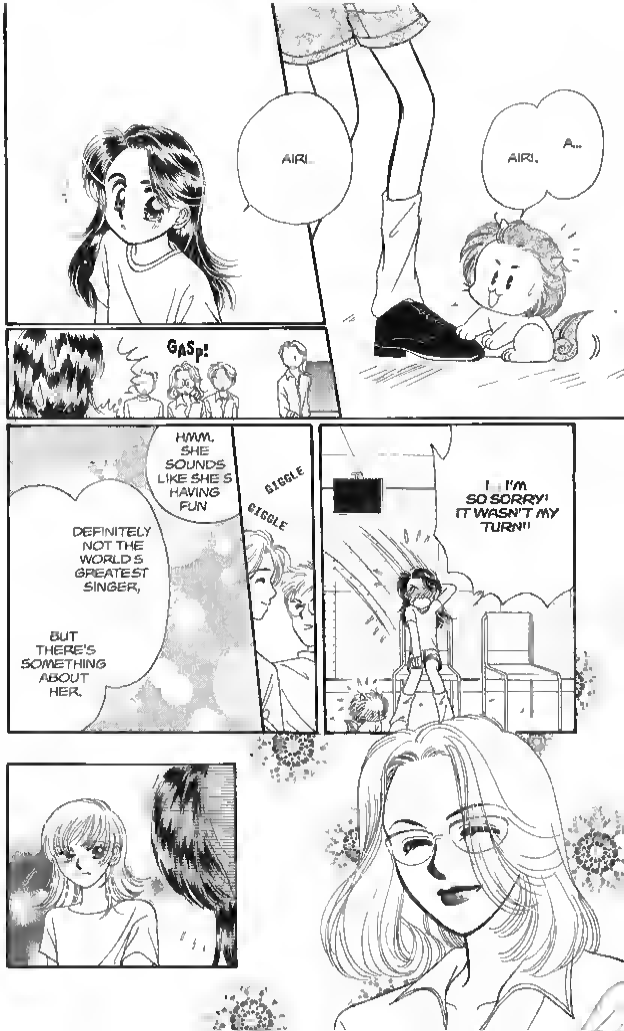
YOU SERIOUS!?
YOU DO GO TO A PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL, RIGHT?
UM... UHUH
MUSIC CAN'T READ IT
WHAT'S WRONG?
...
GIGGLE
GIGGLE
THE FIRST NOTE IS G FROM THE FOURTH BAR, IT'S FORTISSIMO, AND TEMPO IS ALLEGRO IS THAT ALL RIGHT?
WOW SHE'S GOOD. SHE CAN DO EVERYTHING...
PLEASE LET ME SING FIRST

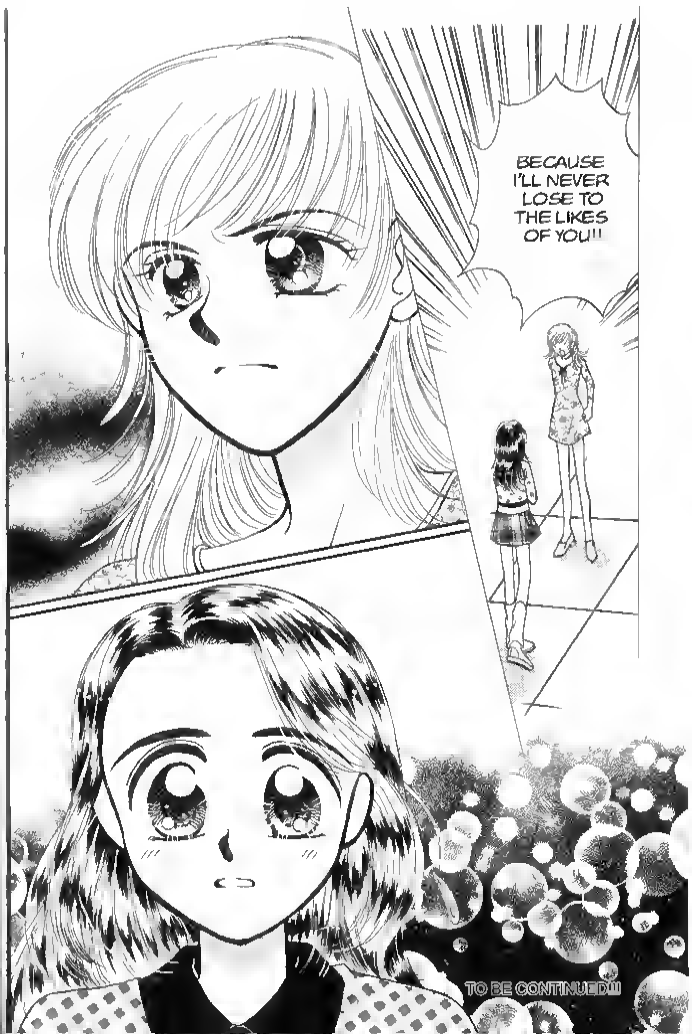
BUT I LIKED THE OTHER DANCING BETTER
HUH!?
IS THAT ALL? SHE SAYS OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL, BUT SHE'S NOT SO HOT, IS SHE?
CHUCKLE!
THIS IS TODAY'S SONG!
OKAY, MS ISHIKAWA, YOU GO FIRST
LESSON ROOM
YOU LOOK LIKE A CLAM HERE!
ARGH BETTER PRACTICE


LIKE FEELING THE BEAT WITH MY WHOLE BODY!!
MORE FROM MY HEART. I'D SING WITH MY WHOLE BODY
BOMP!

TAP TAP TAP
BUT I WONDER WHY... I DON'T GET EXCITED LIKE WHEN I HEAR YUMI OR YÔ SINGING...
HEY
THIS IS AN UPBEAT SONG! IF IT WERE ME, I'D SING IT THIS WAY—

STOMP
STOMP!
SIGH
IT'S JUST SO DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I'M USED TO
IT'S GONNA BE HARD
PRACTICE ROOM 1
SPLASH
SPLASH
GAAH!
WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THERE'S NOTHING THERE.
AAH! YOU'RE STEPPING ON CESAR!!
PLEASE MOVE YOUR FOOT!
HOW DARE YOU DO THAT TO ME? YOU PLANNED IT ALL ALONG, DIDN'T YOU?
SPLISH


AIRI...
AIRI.
A...
GASP!
HMM. SHE SOUNDS LIKE SHE'S HAVING FUN
GIGGLE
GIGGLE
DEFINITELY NOT THE WORLD'S GREATEST SINGER,
BUT THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT HER.
I... I'M SO SORRY! IT WASN'T MY TURN!!

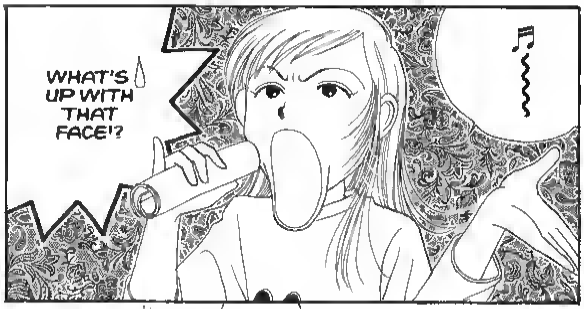

BECAUSE I'LL NEVER LOSE TO THE LIKES OF YOU!!
TO BE CONTINUED!!

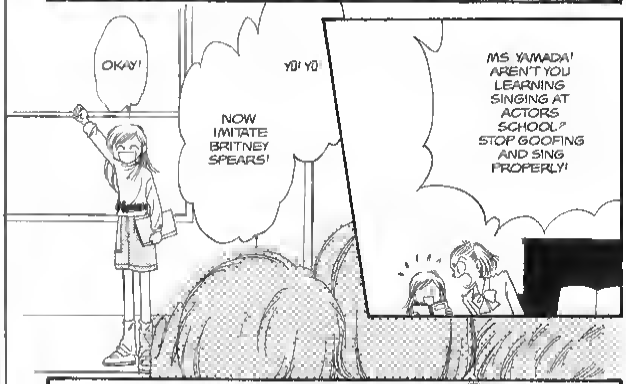
DON'T PLAY STUPID WITH ME!!
I DON'T KNOW HOW TO READ MUSIC BUT...
I KNEW WHAT?
HUH?!
YOU KNEW THAT ONLY ONE OF US WILL GO ON TO DEBUT!!
YOU THINK YOU'RE HOT JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE FROM THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL...
DON'T GET SO COCKY!

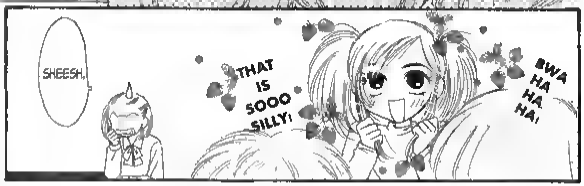
B.B. EXPLOSION EXTRA MANGA

YOU GET A DREAM

ユーゲット アドリーム

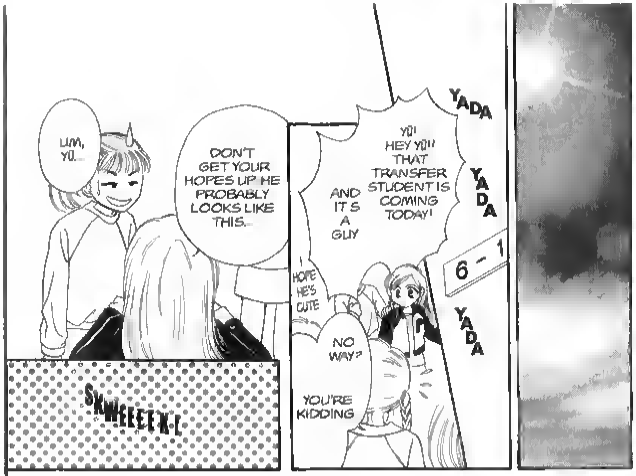

WHAT'S UP WITH THAT FACE!?


OKAY!
YO! YO!
NOW IMITATE BRITNEY SPEARS!
MS. YAMADA! AREN'T YOU LEARNING SINGING AT ACTORS SCHOOL? STOP GOOFING AND SING PROPERLY!


SHEESH.
THAT IS SOOO SILLY!
BWA HA HA HA!

小学校
OKINAWA

MUSIC ROOM
OKAY!
OKAY, NEXT...
MS. YAMADA?
MUSIC FOR 6TH GRADERS


UM, YÜ...
DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP. HE PROBABLY LOOKS LIKE THIS...
SKWEEEEE-E-E
YÜ! HEY YÜ!! THAT TRANSFER STUDENT IS COMING TODAY!
AND IT'S A GUY
I HOPE HE'S CUTE
NO WAY?
YOU'RE KIDDING
YADA
YADA
YADA
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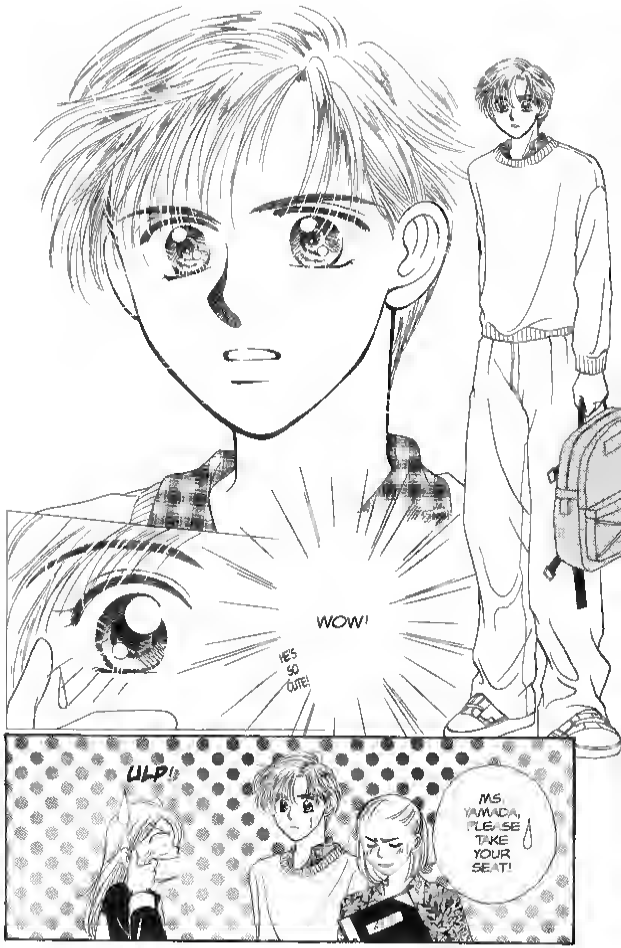
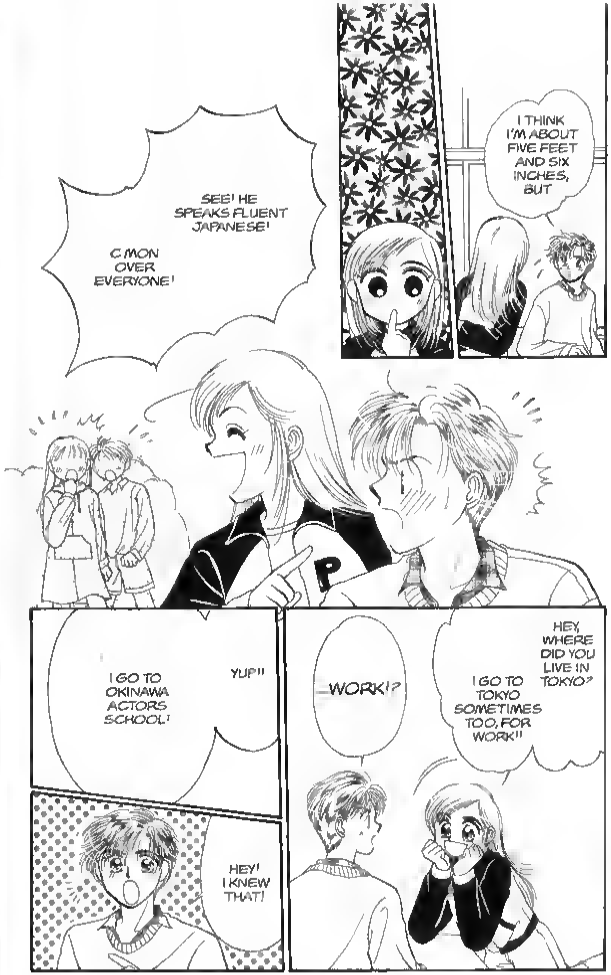
YAMAHA

ANYWAY SHE DOESN'T SEEM TO CARE ABOUT GUYS, YOU KNOW?
THAT'S NOT IT. SHE'S TALLER THAN ME.
DON'T YOU LIKE YÜ?
YÜ'S SO FUNNY!
CRACKS ME UP!
OOOH.

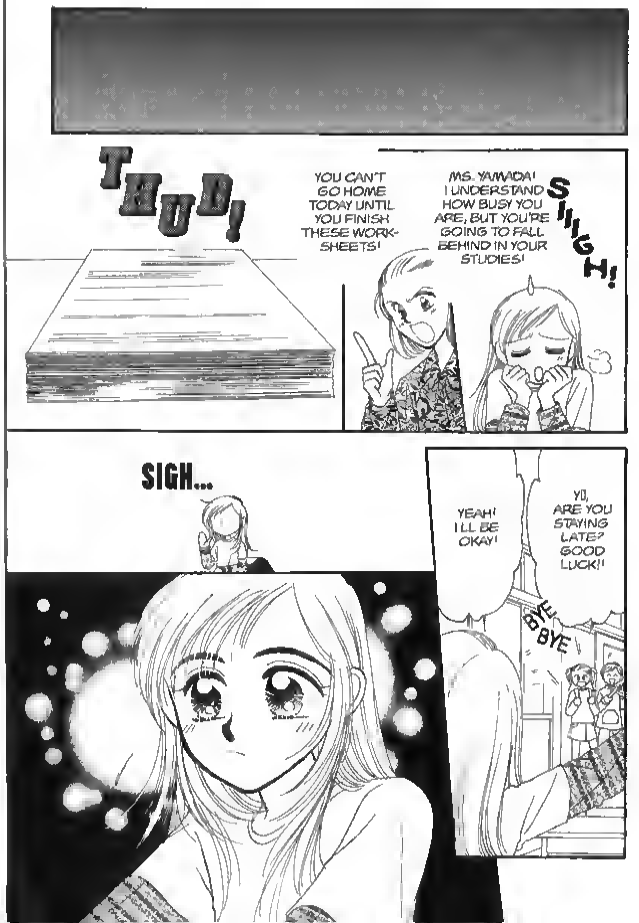
ME TOO..
TRUE. SHE'S SO CUTE BUT SHE DOESN'T FLAUNT IT OR ANYTHING
I WISH I COULD BE LIKE YÜ.
SCOOP

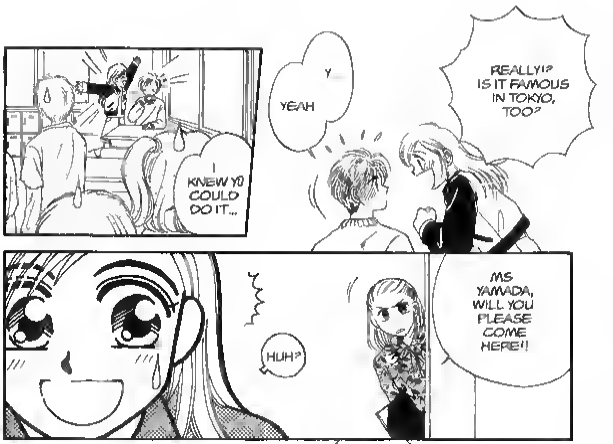

WOW!
HE'S SO CUTE!
ULP!
MS. YAMADA, PLEASE TAKE YOUR SEAT!

AND ON TOP OF THAT...
THAT HAS ONE HIDEOUS FACE I ENVIED HIM.
I DON'T BELIEVE IT! HE'S SUCH A HOTTIE!
HE'S TALLER THAN ME!
AND „DID YOU SAY THAT YOUR MOTHER IS AMERICAN?
IN ANY CASE LET'S ALL MAKE HIM FEEL WELCOME!
BECAUSE OF HIS FATHER'S JOB
IKKI FUJINAGA HAS MOVED HERE FROM TOKYO...
SCRAAPE
SSHHH...
LOOKS STUCK-UP
HEY, HEY, HE'S BLONDE WITH BLUE EYES!
CAN HE SPEAK JAPANESE?
MUMBLE
MUMBLE

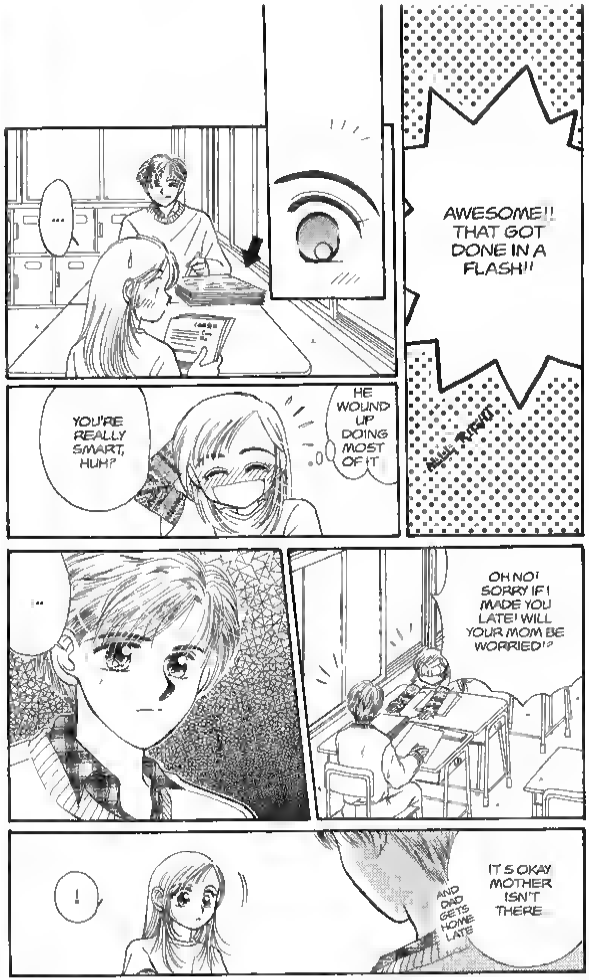

I THINK I'M ABOUT FIVE FEET AND SIX INCHES, BUT
SEE! HE SPEAKS FLUENT JAPANESE!
C'MON OVER EVERYONE!
I GO TO OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL!
YUP!!
HEY! I KNEW THAT!
—WORK!?
HEY, WHERE DID YOU LIVE IN TOKYO?
I GO TO TOKYO SOMETIMES TOO, FOR WORK!!

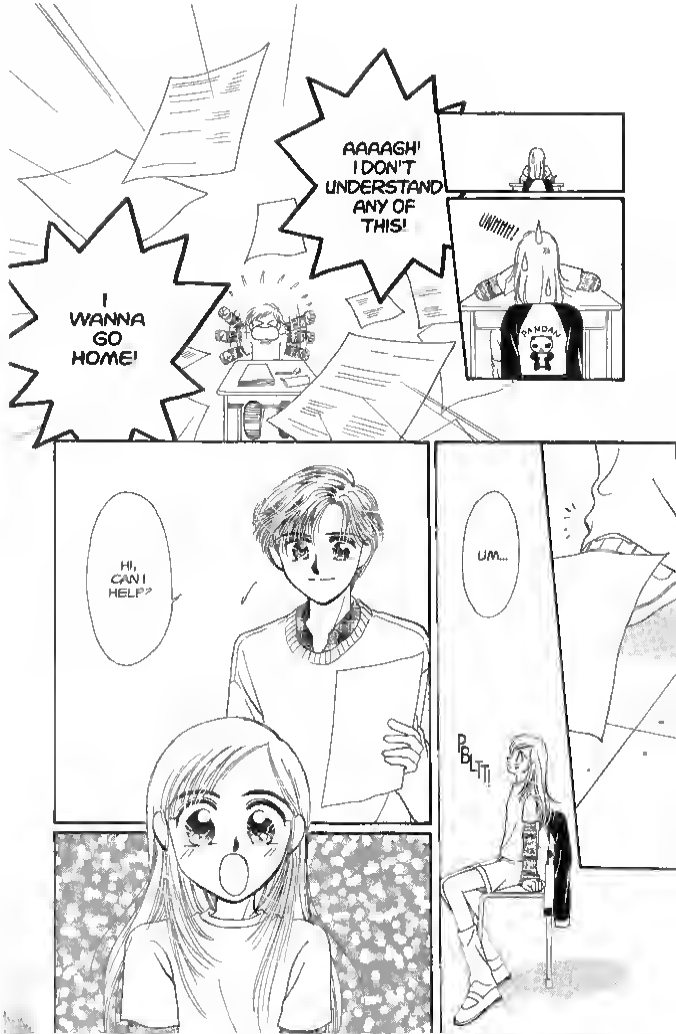
SHE SAYS TO BE FRIENDLY BUT..
CLIPETY CLIP
HEY, HEY!
HOW TALL ARE YOU?

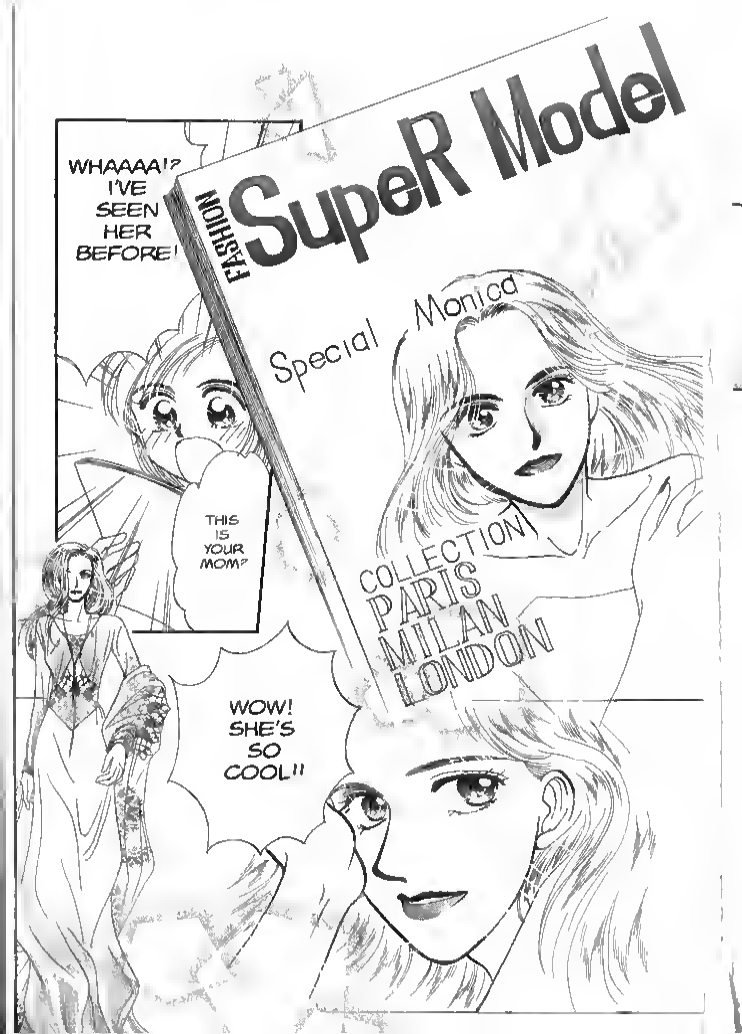

THUD!
YOU CAN'T GO HOME TODAY UNTIL YOU FINISH THESE WORK-SHEETS!
MS. YAMADA! I UNDERSTAND HOW BUSY YOU ARE, BUT YOU'RE GOING TO FALL BEHIND IN YOUR STUDIES!
SIIIGH!
SIGH...
YEAH! I'LL BE OKAY!
YO, ARE YOU STAYING LATE? GOOD LUCK!!
BYE BYE

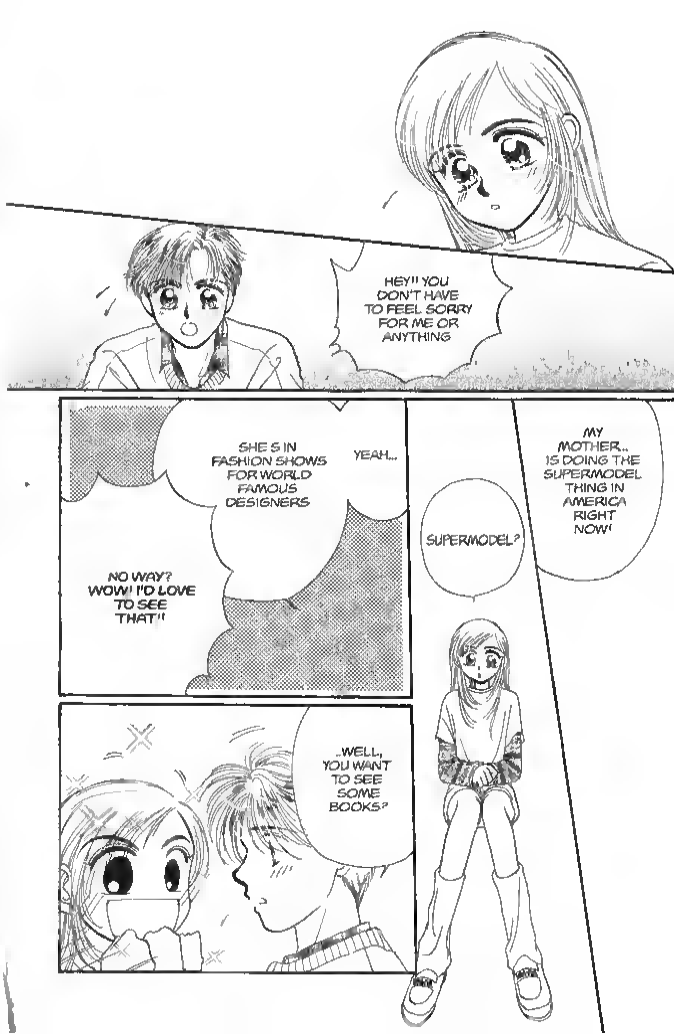

I KNEW YO COULD DO IT...
Y
YEAH
REALLY!? IS IT FAMOUS IN TOKYO, TOO?
HUH?
MS. YAMADA, WILL YOU PLEASE COME HERE!!

...FOR MAKING FRIENDS...
THANKS.
UH-OH! TEACHER'S CALLING!
HEY!


...
AWESOME!! THAT GOT DONE IN A FLASH!!
KILL KILL
YOU'RE REALLY SMART, HUH?
HE WOUND UP DOING MOST OF IT
...
OH NO! SORRY IF I MADE YOU LATE! WILL YOUR MOM BE WORRIED!?
!
AND DAD GETS HOME LATE
IT'S OKAY MOTHER ISN'T THERE


I WANNA GO HOME!
AAAAGH! I DON'T UNDERSTAND ANY OF THIS!
UNNNN
BANDAI
HI, CAN I HELP?
UM...
PBLTT!


WHAAAA!?
I'VE SEEN HER BEFORE!
FASHION SuperR Model
Special Monica
COLLECTION
PARIS
MILAN
LONDON
THIS IS YOUR MOM?
WOW! SHE'S SO COOL!!

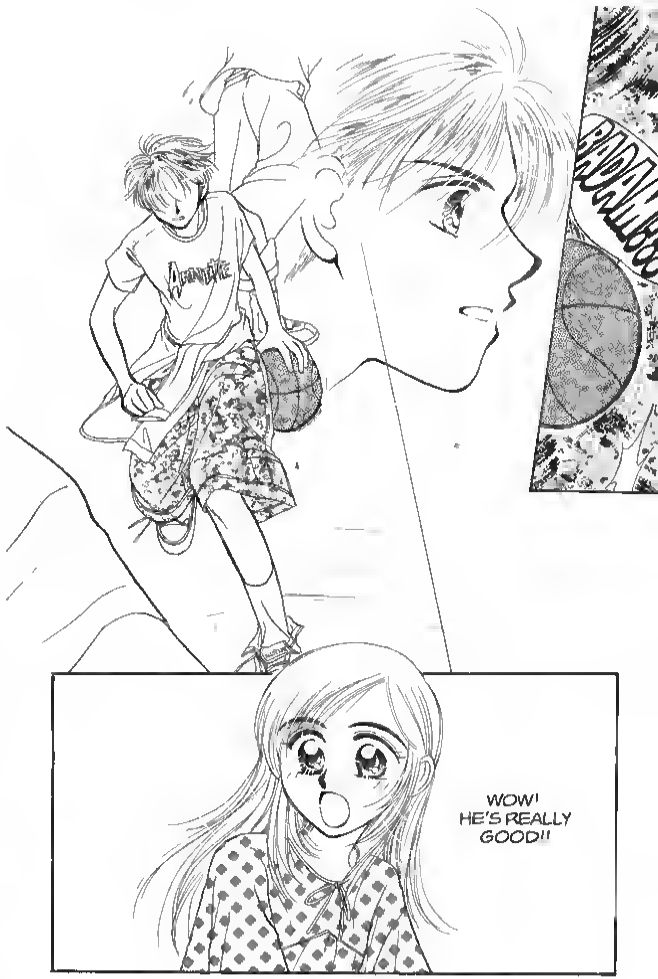

HEY!! YOU DON'T HAVE TO FEEL SORRY FOR ME OR ANYTHING
SHE'S IN FASHION SHOWS FOR WORLD FAMOUS DESIGNERS
YEAH...
NO WAY? WOW! I'D LOVE TO SEE THAT!!
..WELL, YOU WANT TO SEE SOME BOOKS?
SUPERMODEL?
MY MOTHER... IS DOING THE SUPERMODEL THING IN AMERICA RIGHT NOW!

WHOA! WHAT GIVES?
KUNKUN
I WONDER IF I COULD...
...BE A SUPERMODEL.
I'M TOO TALL AND WEIRD LOOKING!
N-NAH, WHAT A JOKE. NOT ME...
ULP!
THAT'S NOT TRUE
HUH?
SO THAT'S WHY, IKKI'S SO CUTE...
PING!
HUH!?
ACTUALLY, SHE'S NOT MY MOTHER ANYMORE
NOW THAT SHE'S FAMOUS, SHE KEEPS HER MARRIAGE SECRET
AND EVEN THE FACT THAT SHE HAS A SON...
I CAN'T EVEN CONTACT HER, SO I'VE BEEN TOLD SO
KUN KUN
THAT I'VE TOLD YOU'RE THE FIRST PERSON...
SORRY TO TALK 'BOUT WEIRD STUFF LIKE THIS.

IT KINDA EMBARRASSES ME..
WHEN YOU TALK LIKE THAT...
LUNCH BREAK'S OVER SOON
LET'S SHOOT SOME HOOPS!
HEEY, YU!!
HUH!?
I'M BUSY SO LET IKKI PLAY!
YES SOON

I'M SURE THAT YOU..
...COULD BE ONE
THE FIRST JAPANESE SUPERMODEL!
AND ANYWAY, YÛ, YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL!
MODELS HAVE TO BE TALL!

SWOOSH
HE'S CUTE!
WAIT A SEC, WHO'S THAT?
HE'S THAT NEW GUY IN OUR CLASS!
OH, HIM!
REALLY?
NO WAY!
OUR TEAM GETS HIM NEXT!
NO FAIR! IKKI S TOO GOOD!!


WOW! HE'S REALLY GOOD!!

IF YOU WANT TO MODEL, YOU'LL NEED TO WORK MORE ON YOUR PHYSIQUE!
BUT
HUH, YA THINK?
WOULDN'T IT BE COOL IF I COULD DO BOTH!
ZIP IT, SHORTIE!
YOU'RE ACKING ON HIM AGAIN!
THIS NEXT SONG HAS TONS OF ENGLISH IN IT, BUT YOU'RE TERRIBLE WITH IT
CONK!
AND IF YOU'RE TALKING SUPERMODEL, YOU'LL NEED TO STUDY ENGLISH!
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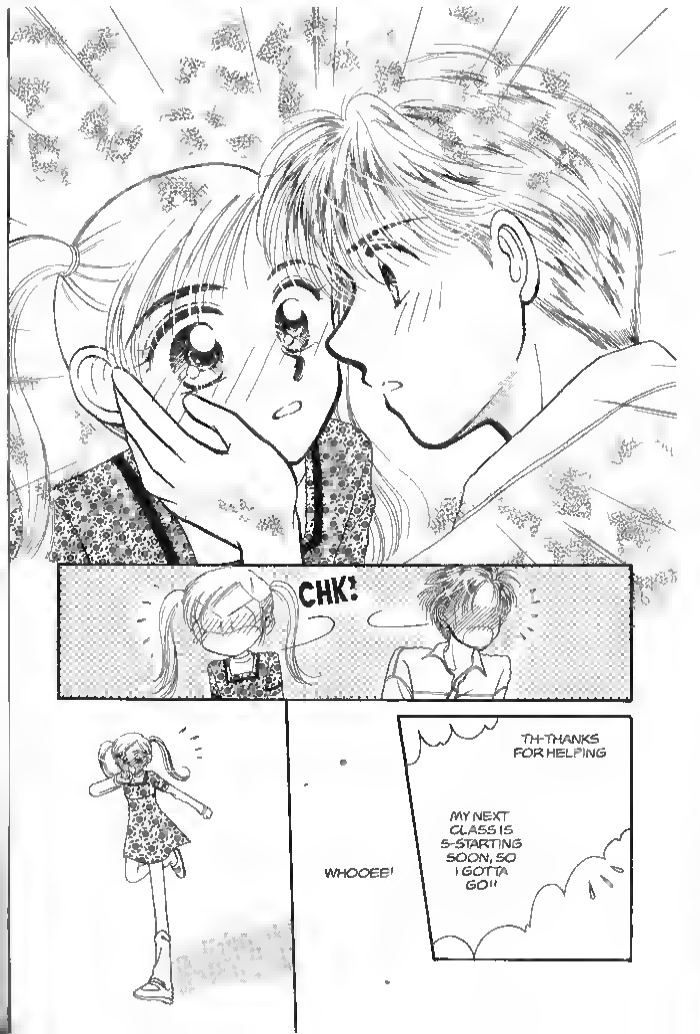
BUT HE'S RIGHT.
HE JUST GETS SO HECKA COCKY
ENGLISH-JAPANESE DICTIONARY

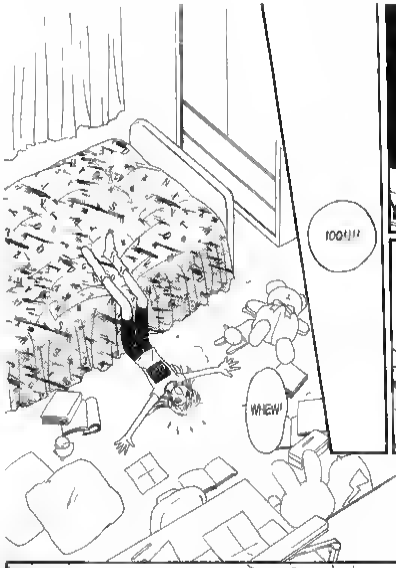
I'M TRYING TO DECIDE WHETHER TO BECOME A SINGER OR A MODEL!
SHUDDUP!
OH-OH, YÔ'S CONCEN-TRATING.
DON'T SIGH THAT TOO OFTEN
OKINA
OOPS, MS ANNA!
TALKING TO YOUR SELF AGAIN OUT LOUD...
THE ACTORS SCHOOL ISN'T ONLY FOR SINGERS
IT'S HERE TO HELP YOU SHINE IN ANY WORLD.
YÔ, YOU'RE CHOOSING ONE OR THE OTHER BUT...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE THAT CHOICE YET.
IF YOUR TALENT SHINES THROUGH YOU CAN BE ANYTHING YOU WANT!
SO


CHK!
TH-THANKS FOR HELPING
MY NEXT CLASS IS 5-STARTING SOON, SO I GOTTA GO!!
WHOOEE!

I LEARNED...
I LIVED IN AMERICA FOR A LITTLE A WHILE, SO...
YESSS! LUCKY!!
UM, 'LEFT' IS THE PAST TENSE OF 'LEAVE' AND
IT MEANS ... THAT HE LEFT, LEAVING HIS MEMORIES BEHIND
HUH? YOU UNDERSTAND IT!?
AWESOME!
HEY, IKKI, CAN YOU FIGURE THIS OUT?
TEACH ME! TEACH ME!!
LOUUEEVV...
NO, NO!
LOOK CAREFULLY! FOR V YOU BITE YOUR LIPS!
UMMM, LOUVUING...
ONCE MORE!!
I SHOULD NEVER HAVE ASKED...HE'S HARSH!

I CAN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT HIM!
AAAAGH!!!
WEIRD THERE ARE TONS OF CUTE GUYS AT ACTORS BUT...

WHAT'S UP WITH MY HEART..?


100!!!
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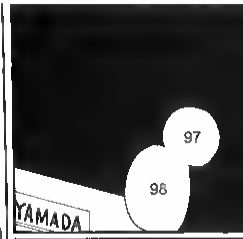
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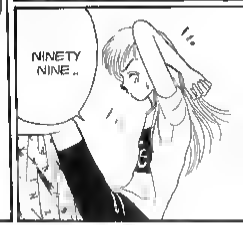
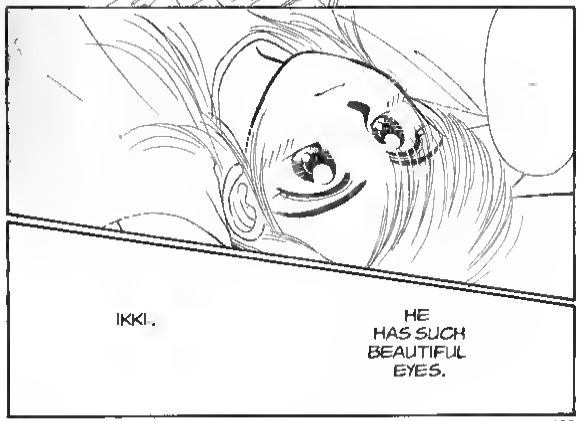
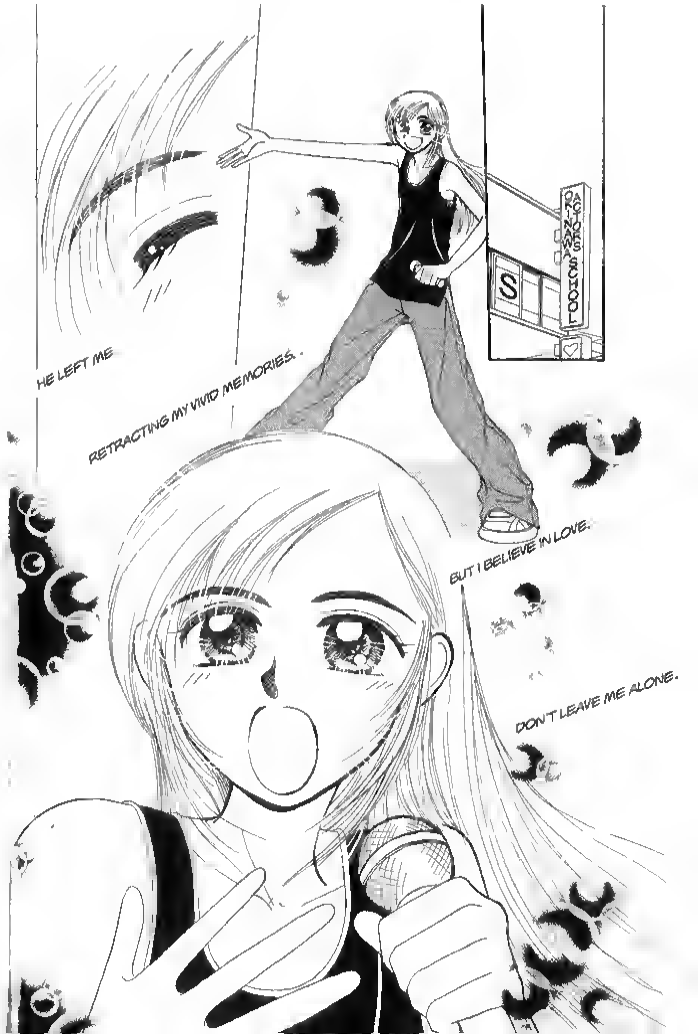
YAMADA


NINETY NINE..


IKKI.
HE HAS SUCH BEAUTIFUL EYES.

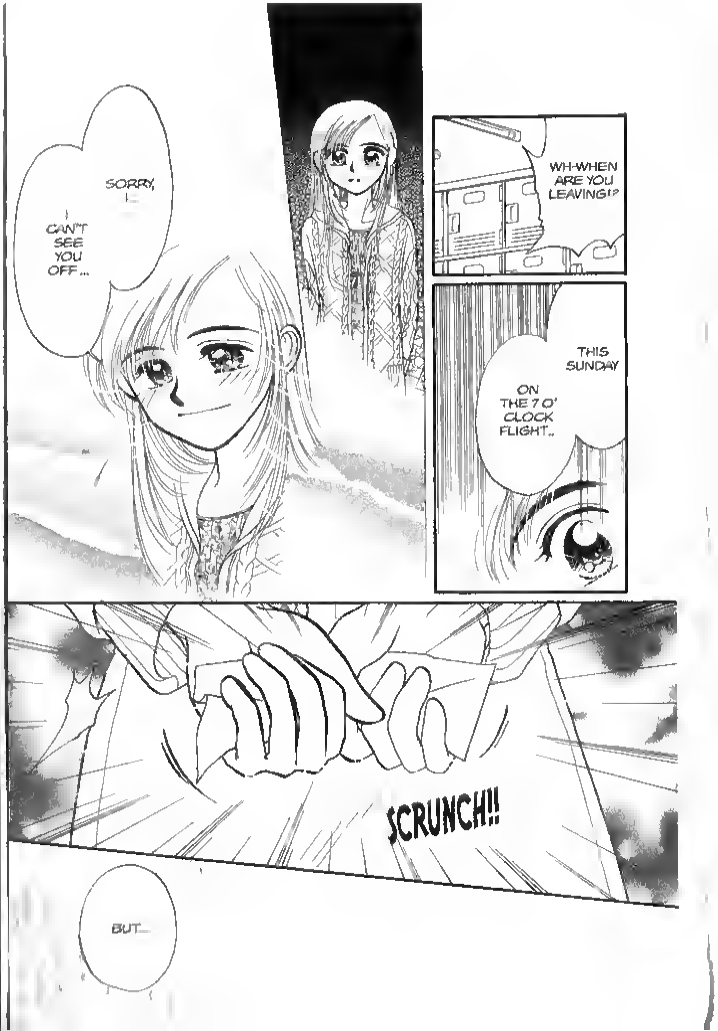
YOU'RE STANDING STRAIGHTER AND YOUR MOVES REALLY WORK!
I THINK YOU'RE FINALLY GETTING THE LYRICS, THE TENDER FEELINGS REALLY SHOW
YU, YOU SOUNDED GREAT!
..
HERE'S A TICKET.
GIVE IT TO A FRIEND
B.B.Q BABY WAVES CONCERT
SUNDAY
FOR THIS SUNDAY'S CONCERT,
DO JUST WHAT YOU JUST DID, OKAY?


HE LEFT ME
RETRACTING MY VIVID MEMORIES.
BUT I BELIEVE IN LOVE.
DON'T LEAVE ME ALONE.

I HAVE TO TRANSFER TO A NEW SCHOOL
I WANTED TO THANK YOU... YO
I'M GLAD WE MET.
IT'S ALWAYS .. LIKE THIS
YOU'VE ONLY BEEN HERE 2 WEEKS!?
YOU'RE KIDDING!

AAARGH! WHAT AM I DOING! ALL I HAVE TO DO IS GIVE HIM THE TICKET..!
THIS SUNDAY
I'D REALLY LIKE IKKI TO SEE IT...
B B & BABY WAVES CONCERT
SUNDAY
DOORS OPEN 5:30

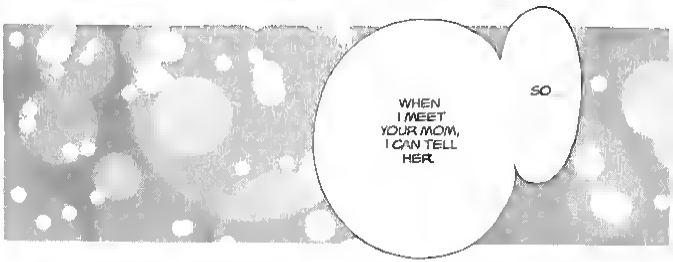
WHAT'RE YOU DOING!? PACKING UP WHEN IT'S STILL MORNING!
HEH...
G-GOOD MORNING, IKKI!
TODAY DEFINITELY... I HAVE TO GIVE IT TO HIM!!

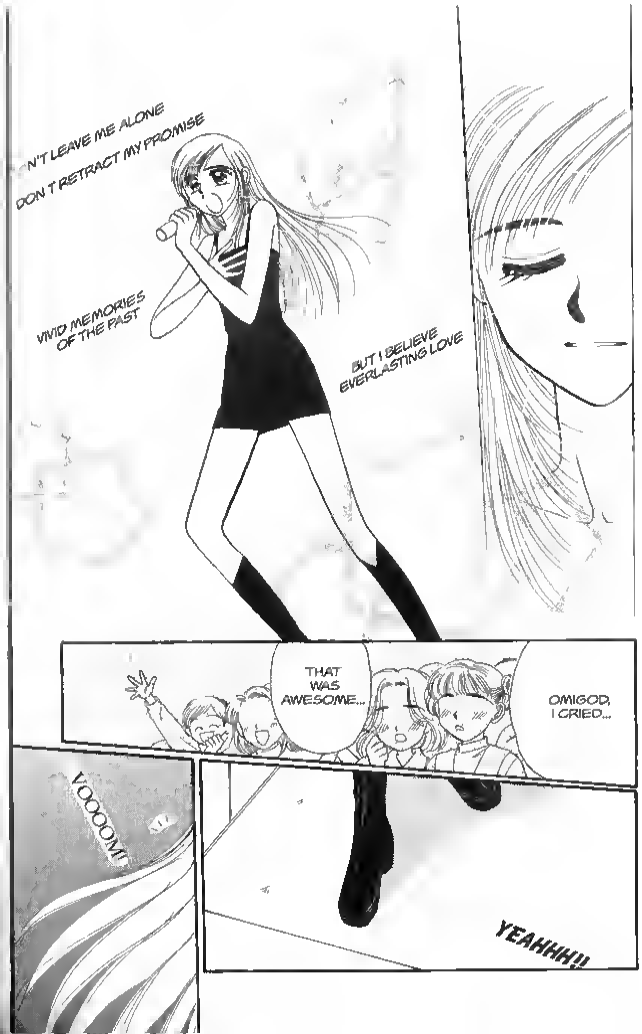

SORRY, I CAN'T SEE YOU OFF...
WH-WHEN ARE YOU LEAVING!?
THIS SUNDAY ON THE 7:0' CLOCK FLIGHT..
SCRUNCH!!
BUT...

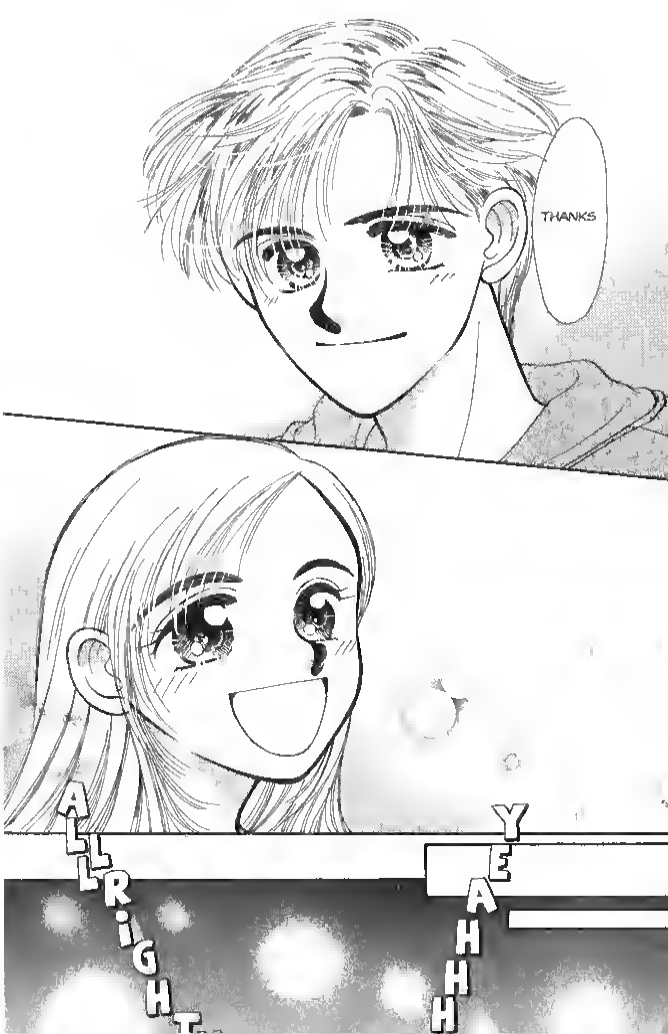
I DIDN'T THINK I COULD MAKE FRIENDS, CHANGING SCHOOLS ALL THE TIME BUT...
THIS TIME SCHOOL WAS SO MUCH FUN AND IT'S BECAUSE YOU WERE HERE, YU
DAD SAYS HIS JOB IS TAKING US TO TOKYO, SO...
I DON'T KNOW
WILL YOU COME BACK TO OKINAWA AGAIN?

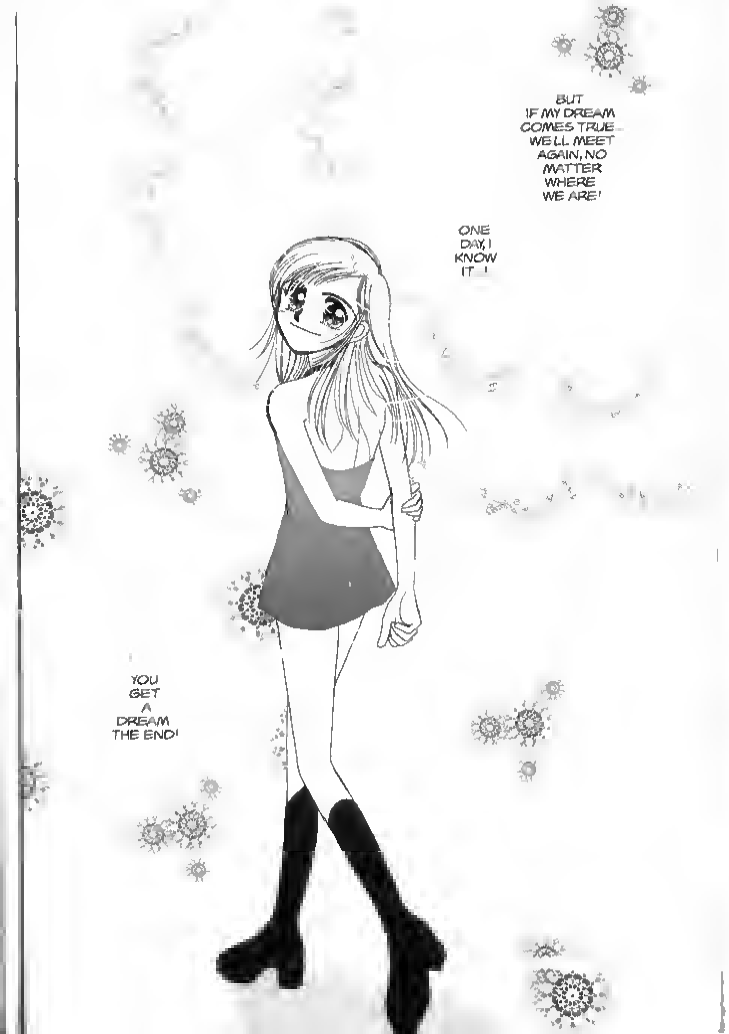
WHEN I MEET YOUR MOM, I CAN TELL HER

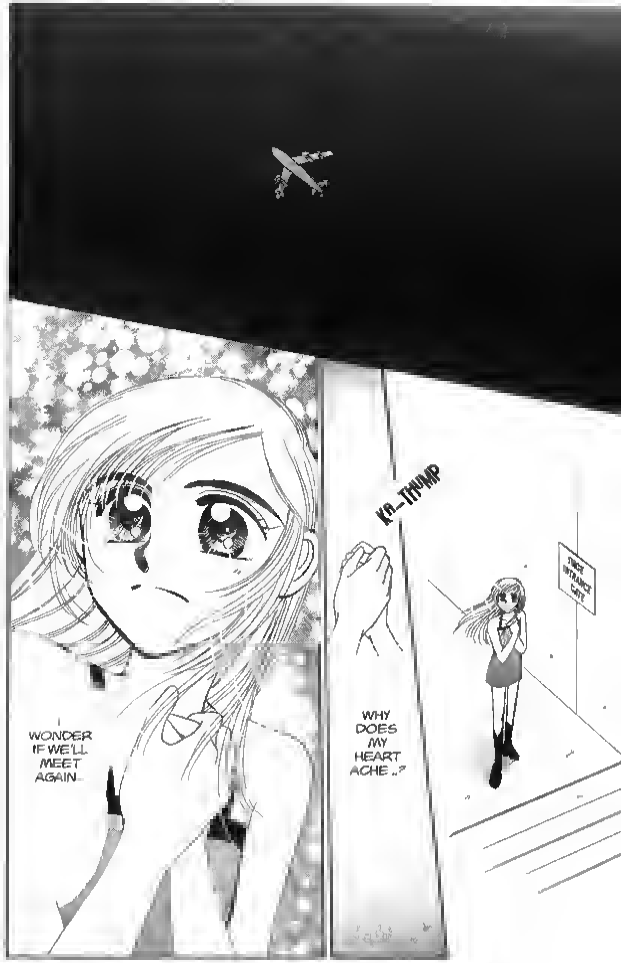
SOMEDAY...
I'LL...
BECOME A SUPERMODEL!

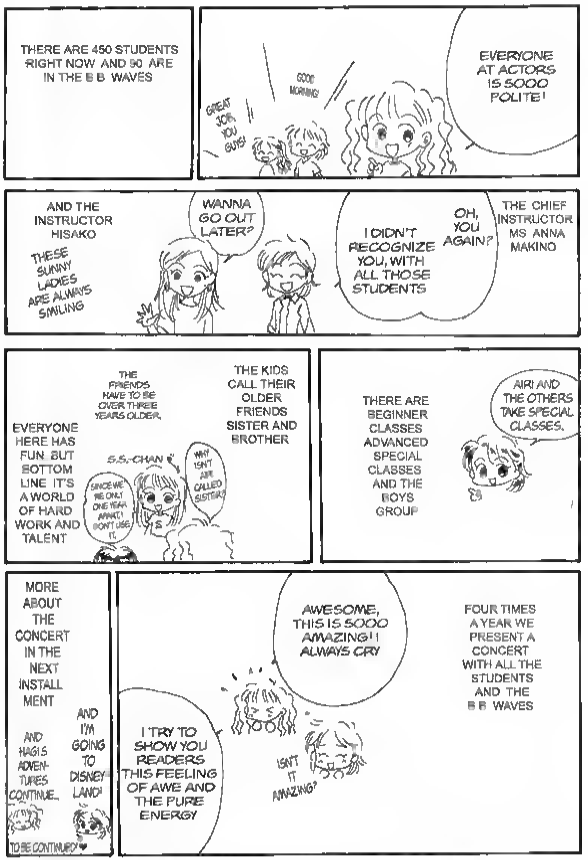

SO...
WHEN I MEET YOUR MOM, I CAN TELL HER


N'T LEAVE ME ALONE
DON'T RETRACT MY PROMISE
VIVID MEMORIES OF THE PAST
BUT I BELIEVE EVERLASTING LOVE
THAT WAS AWESOME...
OMIGOD, I CRIED...
VOOOOM!
YEAHHH!!

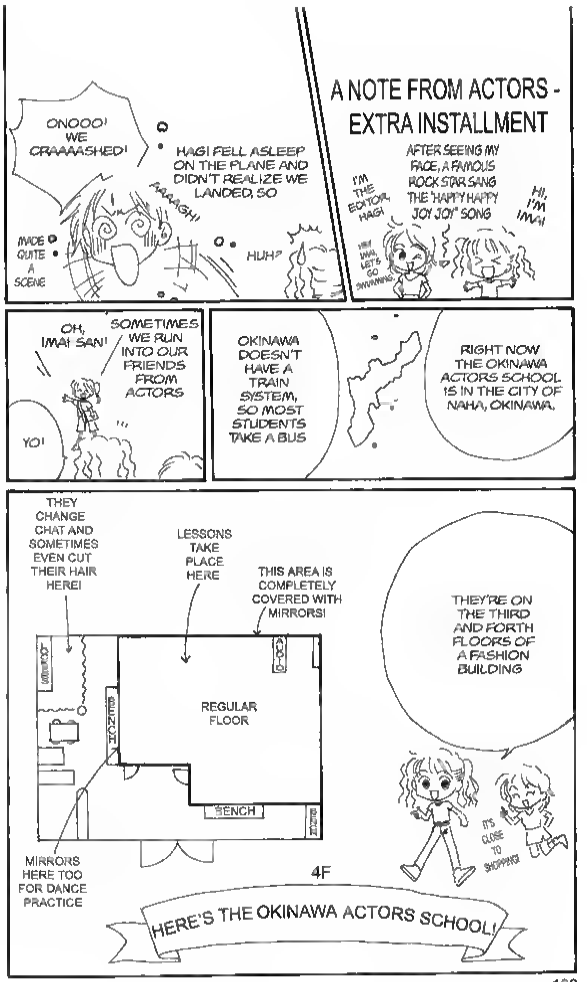

THANKS
ALLRIGHT
YEAHHH


BUT IF MY DREAM COMES TRUE— WE'LL MEET AGAIN, NO MATTER WHERE WE ARE!
ONE DAY, I KNOW IT...!
YOU GET A DREAM THE END!


I WONDER IF WE'LL MEET AGAIN...
KA-THUMP
WHY DOES MY HEART ACHE...?


THERE ARE 450 STUDENTS RIGHT NOW AND 90 ARE IN THE B B WAVES
GREAT JOB, YOU GUYS!
GOOD MORNING!
EVERYONE AT ACTORS IS SOOO POLITE!
AND THE INSTRUCTOR HISAKO
THESE SUNNY LADIES ARE ALWAYS SMILING
WANNA GO OUT LATER?
I DIDN'T RECOGNIZE YOU, WITH ALL THOSE STUDENTS
OH, YOU AGAIN?
THE CHIEF INSTRUCTOR MS ANNA MAKINO
EVERYONE HERE HAS FUN, BUT BOTTOM LINE IT'S A WORLD OF HARD WORK AND TALENT
THE FRIENDS HAVE TO BE OVER THREE YEARS OLDER.
THE KIDS CALL THEIR OLDER FRIENDS SISTER AND BROTHER
S.S.-CHAN
SINCE WE BE ONLY ONE YEAR APART, I DON'T USE IT.
WHY ISN'T ARI CALLED SISTER?
THERE ARE BEGINNER CLASSES ADVANCED SPECIAL CLASSES AND THE BOYS GROUP
ARI AND THE OTHERS TAKE SPECIAL CLASSES.
MORE ABOUT THE CONCERT IN THE NEXT INSTALLMENT
AND HAGI'S ADVENTURES CONTINUE...
AND I'M GOING TO DISNEY LAND!
TO BE CONTINUED♥
I TRY TO SHOW YOU READERS THIS FEELING OF AWE AND THE PURE ENERGY
AWESOME, THIS IS SOOO AMAZING!! I ALWAYS CRY
ISN'T IT AMAZING?
FOUR TIMES A YEAR WE PRESENT A CONCERT WITH ALL THE STUDENTS AND THE B B WAVES

SPECIAL THANKS! YOSHINO-CHAN, HIROKO-CHAN KOBORI SAN, TOMO-CHAN, TERU, KAZU, ECCHAN, KUMI-CHAN, THANK YOU SO MUCH! (HELLO TO HIROKAZU-KUN!)


A NOTE FROM ACTORS - EXTRA INSTALLMENT
ONOOO! WE CRAAAASHED!
HAGI FELL ASLEEP ON THE PLANE AND DIDN'T REALIZE WE LANDED, SO
AAAAGH!!
HUH?
MADE QUITE A SCENE
AFTER SEEING MY FACE, A FAMOUS ROCK STAR SANG THE 'HAPPY HAPPY JOY JOY' SONG
I'M THE EDITOR, HAGI
HI, I'M IMAI
HM HM, LET'S GO SWIMMING
OH, IMAI SAN!
SOMETIMES WE RUN INTO OUR FRIENDS FROM ACTORS
YO!
OKINAWA DOESN'T HAVE A TRAIN SYSTEM, SO MOST STUDENTS TAKE A BUS
RIGHT NOW THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL IS IN THE CITY OF NAHA, OKINAWA.
THEY CHANGE CHAT AND SOMETIMES EVEN CUT THEIR HAIR HERE!
LESSONS TAKE PLACE HERE
THIS AREA IS COMPLETELY COVERED WITH MIRRORS!
THEY'RE ON THE THIRD AND FORTH FLOORS OF A FASHION BUILDING
REGULAR FLOOR
BENCH
MIRRORS HERE TOO FOR DANCE PRACTICE
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IT'S CLOSE TO SHOPPING
HERE'S THE OKINAWA ACTORS SCHOOL!

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